The Bombay Gazette.

No. 7.465.—New Series. BOMBAY :—TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1870. Annual Subscription in Advance... ..Rupees Fifty-two.

THE BOMBAY GAZETTE.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.

For year in advance delivered in Town	Rs. 52 0
——— including postage.....	„ 72 0
For half year in advance, delivered in Town	„ 28 0
——— including postage.....	„ 38 0
For three months' advance, delivered in Town ...	„ 16 0
——— including postage.....	„ 21 0
For one month, delivered in Town	„ 6 0
——— including postage	„ 7 12
Single Copy for Cash	„ 0 4
Back Numbers	„ 0 8

TERMS FOR ADVERTISEMENTS.

Ten lines and under	
First insertion.....	Rs 5 0
Second Ditto	„ 2 8
Third Ditto	„ 2 8
Fourth and succeeding insertions	„ 0 2½ As.

per line, but no Advertisement counted as less than eight lines.

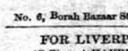
LONG ADVERTISEMENTS.

First insertion	8 As. per line.
Second Ditto	4½ „ „
Third and succeeding	2½ „ „
In the Native Languages, double the above.	
Domestic Occurrences. Each—Rupee 1.	

All Cheques, Money Orders, and other Remittances should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, & CALCUTTA.



THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above, with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship ARABIA, 1,027 tons, 200 H. P., Commander Thomas Saunders, will be despatched on the 15th February 1870, at noon.

Leave Bombay	Feb. 1870	Leave Galle	Feb. 1870
„ Ratnagherry	16	„ Negapatam	26
„ Vingorla	16	„ Pondicherry	27
„ Carwar	17		March.
„ Mangalore	18	„ Madras	2
„ Cannanore	19	„ Coconada	4
„ Calicut	19	„ Vizagapatam	5
„ Beypore	19	„ Bimlipatam	5
„ Cochin	20	„ Gopalpore	6
„ Tuticorin	21	„ False Point	7
„ Columbo	22	Arrive Calcutta	8

This route is the most expeditious and economical for Passengers for the Neilgherrie district, Bangalore, and Madras, who can land at Calicut for Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail.

Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

(Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.)

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited) under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at Kurrachee, Gnadur, Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Linga, Bushire, Fao, Mahomerah, and Bussorah.

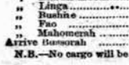
The steam ship ABYSSINIA, 1,129 tons, 200 H. P., Commander C. M. H. Day, will be despatched on the 21st February, 1870, at noon.

Up.	Feb.	Down.	March.
Leave Bombay	21	Leave Bussorah	11
„ Kurrachee	25	„ Mahomerah	11
„ Guadur	26	„ Fao	11
„ Muscat	March 1	„ Bushire	13
„ Bunder Abbas	3	„ Linga	15
„ Linga	4	„ Bunder Abbas	17
„ Bushire	7	„ Muscat	19
„ Fao	8	„ Guadur	22
„ Mahomerah	8	„ Kurrachee	23
Arrive Bussorah	9	Arrive Bombay	26

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE



THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the Weekly Service from England, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every Monday at noon.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE KATTYWAR COAST.

THE Steamer GENERAL HAVELOCK, Captain Drewitz, will be despatched on TUESDAY next, the 15th instant, at 10 A.M., to CUTCH MANDVEE, calling at Veraval, Mangrole, Porebunder, and Dwarka. For Freight and Passage apply to

MONOCKJEE ROWJEE, Manager.

No. 6, Borah Bazaar Street, Bombay, 12th February 1870.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST.

Steamers LORD CLYDE, GENERAL HAVELOCK, GENERAL OUTRAM, and TILLY.

ONE of the above Steamers will be despatched every week to and from the Malabar Coast, calling at the intermediate Ports on the following days :—

Down Steamers.		Up Steamers.	
Leave Bombay	Saturday.	Leave Cochin	Friday.
„ Ratnagherry	Sunday.	„ Beypore	Saturday.
„ Malwan	„	„ Calicut	„
„ Vingorla	„	„ Tellicherry	„
„ Goa	Monday.	„ Cannanore	„
„ Mangalore	„	„ Mangalore	Sunday.
„ Compta	„	„ Compta	Monday.
„ Carwar	Tuesday.	„ Carwar	„
„ Cannanore	Wednesday.	„ Goa	Tuesday.
„ Tellicherry	„	„ Vingorla	„
„ Calicut	„	„ Malwan	„
„ Beypore	„	„ Ratnagherry	Wednesday
Arrive Cochin	Thursday.	Arrive Bombay	Thursday.

The Steamer GENERAL OUTRAM, Captain Teasdale, will be despatched according to the above table on SATURDAY next, the 19th instant, at 4 P.M.

NOWROJEE BHICAJEE, Manager.

No. 6, Borah Bazaar Street, 14th February, 1870.

FOR LIVERPOOL VIA SUEZ CANAL

(Calling at HAVRE, if sufficient inducement offer).

THE first-class screw steamer LEITH, 957 tons Register, Barnetson, Commander, WILL SAIL on the 29th February.

The draught of this vessel, when fully laden, is under 18 feet, and she has already come through the Canal with a cargo of Deep Weight, without grounding. For Freight only to Liverpool and Havre, apply to

RITCHIE, STEVART & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 1st February 1870.

NEW OVERLAND ROUTE

(via SUEZ CANAL.)

DIRECT SERVICE BETWEEN BOMBAY and MARSEILLES, touching at ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, and MARSEILLES.

LA COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.—MARC FRAISSINET FERE and FILS will DESPATCH STEAMERS MONTHLY from BOMBAY to MARSEILLES, via the SUEZ CANAL, thus dispensing with the necessity of transhipment of Goods and Passengers at Suez and Alexandria.

Freight.—The Company undertake to grant through Bills of Lading for Aden, Suez, Port Said, Alexandria, Malta, Marseilles, Genoa, Leghorn, Civita Vecchia, Naples, Barcelona, Havre, and other Continental Ports. They have also made arrangements to Forward Cotton at a through rate from Bombay to the principal towns in France, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium, and Spain.

Shippers will have the option, on due notice being given, of detaining at Marseilles Cotton destined for other parts of the Continent; the Freight on same to be regulated at the average rate paid by the same Steamer.

Freight on Goods shipped to Europe to be payable at Marseilles in French money.

The undersigned are further prepared to receive Merchandize for on-up-country, and to forward same to any part of Europe.

INSURANCE may be effected on very moderate terms, under the Company's Floating Policy, on goods shipped by their own Steamers. Premiums of Insurance from Bombay to Marseilles ½ per cent.

PASSENGER RATES.

(Inclusive of Wines, and all Transit Fees through the Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
To Aden	£ 25	£ 15
„ Suez	£ 40	£ 22-10
„ Port Said	£ 42	£ 24
„ Marseilles	£ 56	£ 36

Children over three and under ten years of age, half fare.

In accordance with the above, the new Steam Ship AFRIQUE, 3,500 tons, Captain Roland, will be despatched from Bombay on or about the 28th February, and will be followed by the ASIE, 1,200 tons, Captain Latreste, so as about the 29th March next.

For further particulars, rates of Freight, &c., apply to

KUNKLER, PREISWERCK, & Co., Agents.

Elphinstone Circle, 14th February, 1870.

NOTICE.—Consignees of CARGO per ship CLARENDON, from London, are requested to SEND BOATS alongside at once to take delivery, otherwise the same will be landed by Captain Cozens, without further intimation, at the risk and expense of the concerned.

W. NICOL & Co.,
Agents of Captain and Owners.

Bombay, 2nd February 1870.

NOTICE.—Consignees of CARGO per Ship FLEUR DE LIS, from Liverpool, are requested to SEND BOATS alongside immediately for their respective goods as they come to hand, failing which they will be landed by the Captain at the risk and expense of the concerned.

Captain Thomson will not be responsible for the contents or condition of any package after it leaves the ship's deck.

REMINGTON & Co.,
Agents for the ship Fleur de Lis.

7th February 1870.

ROBERT GREY & Co., SHIP-BUILDERS and OWNERS of the PATENT SLIP and DRY DOCK, MOULMEIN, BRITISH BURMAH.—The SLIP is one of the largest size. Ships and Steamers up to 1,200 tons burthen can be thoroughly repaired and examined on it.

The Dry Dock is capable of taking in Steamers of 300 feet in length. Repairs of all descriptions to both iron and wooden ships made under Europeon superintendence by experienced workmen.

Charges made on the Calcutta scale for work and material, except Teakwood, which we supply at 25 per cent. below Calcutta rates.

ROBERT GREY & Co.

September, 1869.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND FREIGHT ROUTE.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL, LONDON, TRIESTE, MARSEILLES, BRINDISI, VENICE, NAPLES, LEGHORN, GENOA, BARCELONA, HAVRE, ADEN, AND SUEZ.

THE Bombay and Bengal Steam Ship Company, under arrangements with other first class lines of Steamers from Alexandria, undertake to give through bills of Lading for Goods via Egypt to the above and most other Continental Ports.

A limited number of passengers can be accommodated.

Rates of Fare.

{ To Suez—1st class £40, 2nd class £22. 10s. } Exclusive
{ To Trieste—1st class £55, 2nd class £34., } of Wines.

Exclusive of Transit.

Passengers by or for our Steamers will be furnished with First-class Tickets between Alexandria and Marseilles by Messrs. Fraissinet & Co.'s line for £10; making the passage-money between Bombay and Marseilles £50, exclusive of transit in Egypt.

We have arranged our departures from Bombay so as to arrive immediately before the departure of Messrs. Fraissinet's Steamer from Alexandria and avoid delay to passengers. The Marseilles Boats leave Alexandria every Thursday morning.

Steamers will leave Bombay every alternate Monday.

For Freight or Passage apply to Messrs. Stephen, Kennard & Co., London; Messrs. Tod, Kennard & Co., Liverpool; Messrs. Tod, Heilbronn & Co., Alexandria; Austrian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Company, Trieste and Venice; Messrs. Fraissinet Pere et Fils, Marseilles; and Messrs. R. Rubattino and Co., Genoa; or to the undersigned in Bombay.

The Steam-ship KRISHNA, 1,550 Tons, Captain Bonfellow, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 28th February.

The following Steamer will be despatched on MONDAY the 29th February.

STEARNS, HOBART, & Co.

OVERLAND PASSENGERS.

Gentlemen proceeding Home will find all that is requisite in the following detailed list; the Goods being made specially for the passage and Home wear :—

REQUIREMENTS.

4 Dozen Silk and Wool Shirts.	1 Rug with straps.
2 „ Under Vests.	1 Maud.
2 „ Linen Collars.	1 Inverness Cape.
1 „ Fine Cotton Socks.	1 Hand Portmanteau.
1 „ Fine Merino Socks.	2 Overland Trunks.
1 „ Fine Merino Drawers.	1 Clothes Bag.
1 „ Coloured Handkerchiefs.	1 Travelling Hat.
1 „ White Cambaic.	1 Courier Bag.
1 Overland Suit.	1 Easy Chair.
1 Sleeping Suit.	1 Umbrella.
2 Pairs of Kid Gloves.	1 Pair of Brushes.
6 Scarfs and Ties.	Ladies' Overland Trunks.

Return Passages.—First "class Passengers embarking from India by the P. and O. Co.'s Steamer within six months of their arrival from England, and *vice versa*, will be allowed a reduction of 20 per cent. on the Return Passage Money.

Bombay. BADHAM & Co., Apollo House.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MESSRS. BADHAM & COMPANY,
APOLLO HOUSE,
BOMBAY.

		Rs. a.
BADHAM'S	Celebrated Wove Flannel Shirts	9 0
BADHAM'S	„ Silk and Wool.....	9 8
BADHAM'S	„ Indian Shirt.....	7 0
BADHAM'S	„ French Colored Shirts ...	65 0 per doz.
BADHAM'S	„ White Shirts.....	60 0 „
BADHAM'S	„ Overland Suits	35 0
BADHAM'S	„ Travelling Suits	35 0
BADHAM'S	„ Silk & Wool Sleeping Suits	20 0
BADHAM'S	„ All Wool Sleeping Suits...	18 0
BADHAM'S	„ Indian Suits for Sleeping	16 0
BADHAM'S	„ Serge Suits	40 0

HOSIERS, GLOVERS and GENERAL WAREHOUSEMEN.
By appointment
To His Excellency the GOVERNOR GENERAL of INDIA.

TWENTY-EIGHTH REPORT of the CITY BANK, LONDON.

At a GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS, held at the LONDON TAVERN, on TUESDAY, 18th January, 1870.

Directors.

JOHN JONES, Esq., Chairman.

John Campbell, Esq.	William Macnaughtan, Esq.
Henry Vigne Ewart, Esq.	William Simpson, Esq.
John Hackblock, Esq.	Jonathan Thorp, Esq.
Andrew Lawrie, Esq.	James E. Vanner, Esq.
Robert Lloyd, Esq.	George Young, Esq.
Wm. McArthur, Esq., M.P.	

Managers.

JOHN WOOLMORE DUNCAN.—ALFRED G. KENNEDY.

Branch Offices.

No. 34, Old Bondstreet—Edward G. Mullins.

Nos. 159 & 160, Tottenham-court-road.—Alfred Gliddon.

No. 25, Ludgate-hill.—William Horbage.

The "Register of Shareholders" and "Register of Transfer" having been duly authenticated, the following Report was read, viz. :—

"The Accounts of 'Liabilities and Assets' and of 'Profit and Loss,' presented herewith, show that,—after providing for Interest on Current and Deposit Accounts, and for Bad and Doubtful Debts,—the gross Profits of the Bank for the six months ending 31st December last (including £371 5s. 2d. brought from the previous half-year) amount to £46,030 8s. 10d.

"The Directors therefore, having also provided for the Current Expenses and Rebate of Interest on Bills Discounted but not yet due, declare a dividend at the rate of £7 per cent. per annum—on the Income-tax—and add £5,000 to the Reserve Fund, which now amounts to £90,000. The balance, £398 10s. 1d., is carried to the new Profit and Loss Account.

"The Dividend will be payable on and after the 25th instant."

The Dividend was then declared for the Half-year ending the 31st December last, at and after the rate of £7 per cent. per annum on the paid-up Capital, free of Income-tax.

It was resolved unanimously—

That the Report just read be received and adopted.

That the best thanks of this Meeting be given to the Chairman and Directors for their careful conduct of the Bank.

That our thanks be also given to the Managers and other officers of the Bank.

(Signed) JOHN JONES, Chairman.

Extracted from the Minutes.

C. J. WORTH, Secretary.

THE CITY BANK, LONDON.

LIABILITIES and ASSETS on the 31st DECEMBER, 1869.

Dr.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Capital paid up, viz., £10 per Share on 50,000 Shares		500,000 0 0
To amount of Reserved Fund		85,000 0 0
To amount due by the Bank on Current and Deposit Accounts, Interest Accrued, &c.	2,521,208 3 3	
To acceptances against Cash in hand, Bankers' Bills, and approved Securities	2,536,449 4 6	
		5,057,657 7 9
To Profit and Loss, for the Balance of that Account, after providing for Bad and Doubtful Debts, viz. :—		
Surplus Profit brought forward from last Half-year..	£371 5 2	
Since added	£45,659 3 8	
		46,030 8 10
		£5,088,687 16 7

Cr.	£ s. d.
By Exchequer Bills, East India Debentures, and Government Securities	334,421 8 1
By Cash in hand, at Bank of England, and at Call	487,024 1 8
By other Securities, including Bills discounted and current	4,816,664 13 4
By Bank Premises in Threadneedle-street, Old Bond-street, Tottenham-court-road, and Ludgate-hill; Furniture, Fixtures, &c	50,577 13 6
	£5,088,687 16 7

PROFIT and LOSS ACCOUNT for the HALF YEAR ENDING the 31st DECEMBER, 1869.

Dr.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Current Expenses, including Salaries, Rent, Stationery, Directors' Remuneration, Proportion of Building Expenses, Income Tax, &c.	17,320 6 6	
To Amount carried to Profit and Loss New Account, being Rebate on Bills discounted not yet due	5,611 12 3	
To Amount transferred to Reserved Fund in addition to £85,000 already at the credit of that Account	5,000 0 0	
To Dividend Account for the payment of a Dividend at the rate of £7 per cent. per annum, upon £5,0,000, amount of paid-up Capital upon 50,000 Shares	17,500 0 0	
To undivided Profit transferred to Profit and Loss New Account	398 10 1	
	£46,030 8 10	

Cr.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
By Balance brought down, after providing for Bad and Doubtful Debts, viz :—		
Surplus Profit brought forward from last Half-year.£	371 5 2	
Since added	45,659 3 8	
		46,030 8 10
		£ 46,030 8 10

We have examined and approved the above Accounts,

OWEN LEWIS
JOHN CURRY } Auditors.

THE CITY BANK, LONDON.

Incorporated by Royal Charter, A.D 1855.

Head Office—(Corner of Finch-lane), Threadneedle-street.

Branch Offices { No. 34, Old Bond-street. Nos. 159 and 160, Tottenham-court-road. No. 25, Ludgate-hill.

Subscribed Capital (50,000 Shares of £20 each) ...£ 1,000,000 0 0
Paid-up Capital 500,000 0 0
Reserved Fund 90,000 0 0

Current Accounts are made up to the 30th of June and the 31st of December in each year; and if the Credit Balance shall not, at any time during the half-year, have been below £500, interest at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum is allowed on the minimum Monthly Balances. If not below £200, interest at the rate of 1 per cent per annum is allowed on the minimum Monthly Balances; but if under £200, no interest is allowed; in cases where a remunerative Balance is not maintained, a small charge for Commission is made. Parties keeping Current Accounts have the privilege of drawing Cheques—of having approved Bills discounted—of obtaining Loans upon negotiable Securities—of the Collection, free of charge, for collection, and of lodging depositing Bills, Coupons, &c., for collection, and of lodging with the Bank, Deeds and other valuable property in the Fire-proof Strong-Rooms for safe custody.

Deposit Accounts.—Money, in amounts of £10 and upwards, is received from the public generally,—subject to seven days' notice of withdrawal, and interest is allowed thereon at the current rate of the day; the Bank notifying any change in the rate of Interest by Advertisement in one or more of the leading London newspapers. If the money be withdrawn within a fortnight no Interest is allowed. Persons having Current Accounts can transfer any portion of their Credit Balance to Deposit Account.

The Agency of Country and Foreign Banks, whether Joint Stock or Private, is undertaken by the Bank.

Letters of Credit, payable at any of the Chief Commercial Towns and Cities of the World, are granted. Mercantile and Marginal Credits are also granted by the Bank.

Circular Notes are issued by the Bank, addressed to all, and payable at any, of the places on the Continent where the Bank has an Agent.

Dividends, &c., on Government and other Stocks, Annuities, Pensions, &c., are received for customers of the Bank without charge; the purchase and sale of Stocks, Shares, and Securities are also undertaken; and every description of Banking business is transacted.

The Officers and Clerks of the Bank are pledged not to disclose the transactions of any of its Customers.

London, January 1870.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL,
GRANT ROAD.

Sole Lessee ..... Mr. DAVE CARSON.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!! TO-NIGHT!!!
TUESDAY, 15th FEBRUARY, 1870.

ANOTHER GREAT ATTRACTION.

ENTIRELY NEW PROGRAMME.

CLASSICAL COMEDY,
AND
LAUGHABLE FARCE,

The Curtain will rise at 9 o'clock precisely to Tom Taylor's Esq.'s, celebrated Comedy, in three Acts, entitled,

STILL WATERS RUN DEEP.

John Mildmay	Mr. H. Richardson.
Captain Hawksley	Mr. F. H. Pollock.
Dunbilk	Mr. O. Deering.
Mr. Potter	Mr. E. D. Haygarth.
Mr. Markham	Mr. Coll.
Mr. Langford	Mr Boyce.
Mr. Jessop	Mr. Tanner.
Mr. Gimlet (a Detective)	Mr. S. Herberte.
Mrs. Sternhold	Miss Waddy Deering.
Mrs. Mildmay	Mrs. H. Richardson.

OVERTURE ..... Orchestra

The Evening's Entertainment will conclude with the
LAUGHABLE FARCE
OF THE
ROUGH DIAMOND.

Sir William Evergreen	Mr. W South.
Captain Blenheim	Mr F. H. Pollock.
Lord Plato	Mr. O. Deering.
Cousin Joe	Mr. H. Richardson.
Lady Plato	Miss FANNY WISEMAN.
Margery	Mrs. H. Richardson.

Reserved Seats may be secured at Messrs. SOUNDY & Co.'s, where a plan of the Theatre can be seen.

Doors open at 8-15. Performance commences at 9 P.M.

TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, Feb. 16th,
THE MINSTRELS,
WITH
DAVE CARSON
AS THE
INTELLIGENT YOUTH.

THE NEW
VICTORIA THEATRE,
GRANT ROAD.

GREAT SUCCESS
OF THE
STAR COMBINATION TROUPE.

The above Company will give their
SECOND ENTERTAINMENT
ON
WEDNESDAY, 16th FEBRUARY, 1870.

ENTIRE CHANGE OF PROGRAMME.

NEW SONGS,
NEW BALLADS,
NEW SOLOS,
CHARACTERISTIC DANCES,
&c., &c., &c.,

SEE PROGRAMME.

TICKETS at SOUNDY'S.

First Class	Rs. 5	Third Class	Rs. 2
Second Class	„ 3	Fourth „	„ 1

HARVEY'S
NATIONAL
CIRCUS

HAS ARRIVED, AND WILL SHORTLY APPEAR.

EQUESTRIANS,
ACROBATS,
GYMNASTS,
AND A
STUD OF HIGHLY TRAINED HORSES.

NOTICE.—Consignees of CARGO per ship CLARENDON, from London, are requested to send Delivery Orders with Bills of Lading for countersignature to the undersigned, and to SEND BOATS alongside at once to take delivery, otherwise the same will be landed by Captain Davis without further information at the risk and expense of the concerned.

PALLONJEE FRAMJEE DUBASH,
Agent for the ship Clarendon.

THE BOMBAY ROYAL SPINNING and WEAVING COMPANY (Limited).—The Registered Office of this Company has been REMOVED THIS DAY from No. 23 Shamajee Hassajee Street, to No. 149 MANDVI BUNDER DONGRY COOLIE STREET.

NURSEY KESSOWJEE,
Secretary, Treasurer and Agent.

Bombay, 14th February 1870.

NOTICE is hereby given, that any person or persons having CLAIMS against Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE GRIFFISS, Church Street, Mazagon, should send in their claim within three days from this date. The undersigned would not hold himself responsible for any debt that his wife, Virginia Griffiss, may contract after this date.

GEORGE GRIFFISS.

Bombay, 15th February 1870.

NOTICE.—THE UNDERSIGNED has just received a choice and best selection of the following MILLINERY, which can be had at a moderate price :—

Ladies' and Girls' Hats and Bonnets, of the latest fashion.
Boys' Hats, ditto.
Satin and Sansseuet Ribbons, of various colours and sizes.
French Flowers and Feathers.
Ladies' Kid Gloves, of all colours and sizes.
Also other Fancy Goods.

D. CURSETJEE, Milliner.

No. 28, opposite the Oriental Bank.

PROSPECTUS OF A NEW DAILY PUBLICATION
TO BE CALLED THE
"BOMBAY ADVERTISING JOURNAL."

THIS PAPER, which it is proposed to issue in the style and form of the "Calcutta Exchange Gazette," a Publication long registered as most useful advertising medium in the Bengal Presidency, will be devoted exclusively to Advertisements, Notices, and Information, important to the Public at large.

It will be extensively circulated

FREE OF CHARGE

every morning (Sundays excepted), delivered at Private Residences, Public Offices, and Places of Business, in all parts of the Island.

Copies will be posted daily at convenient Public places in the Fort, and forwarded to the principal Towns in the Presidency.

The Charges for Advertisements have been fixed at minimum Rates, viz :—

SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS OF TEN LINES AND UNDER :

First Insertion	Rs. 3
Second do.	„ 2
Third & succeeding Insertion	„ 1

LONG ADVERTISEMENTS :

First Insertion	As. 4 per line.
Second do.	„ 2-6 Pies per line.
Third & succeeding Insertion	„ 1-6 „ do.

Orders from Out-Stations must be accompanied by Cash or reference for payment in Bombay.

Continuous and standing Advertisements for long periods will be arranged for by Agreement.

Advertisements for insertion in the "Bombay Advertising Journal" will be received by us, at our Offices,

SASSOONS' BUILDINGS, ELPHINSTONE CIRCLE,
OPPOSITE THE MINT.

The first Number will be issued with all possible despatch.

COLLEY, MADELEY, & Co.

Bombay, 1st February 1870.

CHESSON and WOODHALL'S
LIBRARY.
No. 11, HUMMUM STREET, BOMBAY,
AND No. 1, EAST STREET, POONA.

NEW BOOKS AND STATIONERY, &c., RECEIVED BY THE S. S. CHINA.

Engineers' and Contractors' Almanac for 1870	...	Rs...	0 12
Tyndall's Faraday, a Discoverer	...	...	2 4
Alford's New Testament	...	...	2 4
Farrar's Families of Speech	...	...	3 12
Trollope's The Warden	...	...	1 0
„ Barchester Towers	...	...	1 4
The Irish Land Question. By Mills	...	...	1 10
Tennyson's Idylls of the King (Complete edn.)	...	...	7 8
Elementary Magnetism. By Parson	...	...	2 8
Atchley's Price Book for 1870	...	...	20 0
Diseases of the Mouth. By Garretson	...	...	2 4
Galton on the Construction of Hospitals	...	...	3 12
The Stanhope. By McLeod	...	...	3 12
Dove in the Eagle's Nest	...	...	4 12
Albert Nyanza. By Baker	...	...	3 4
Manchip's Oil Merchant's Guide. By Donald	...	...	2 4
Klam's Medicine, Disease, and Death	...	...	2 4
Notes on Asthma. By Bronwgood	...	...	2 8
Year Book of Photography for 1870	...	...	0 12
British Journal Photographic Almanac for 1870	...	...	13 8
Hart's Annual Army List for 1870	...	...	13 8
Forbes' Natural Pockets	...	...	5 12
Oliver's Indian Botany	...	...	4 4
Horses and Stables. By Col. Fitzwygram	...	...	9 8
Czerney's 101 Exercises for the Pianoforte	...	...	4 0

STATIONERY.

A fresh consignment of all kinds of De La Rue's best Letter and No. 1 Paper, with Envelopes to match.

Ruled Foolscap (per quire)	...	0 10
Unruled „ „	...	0 8
French „ „	...	0 6
Royal „ „	...	1 8
Sealing Wax, (per lb.) De La Rue's best ...	...	3 0

MISCELLANEOUS.

Egg Trays, beautifully carved, with three Cups	...	3 8
Bread Plate, neatly finished	...	4 0
Bread Knife	...	3 12
Butter Knife	...	1 8
Butter Pot (of Cut glass on stand)	...	5 0
„ Ditto—with Pepper and Sellers and Egg Cups, complete on stand...	...	9 0
A New Trick—The Magnetic Lovers; most amusing	...	1 0
An English Conundrum, by Wheatstone, with electro-plated Keys; in box complete; second-hand...	...	90 0

Bombay, 14th February 1870. CHESSON & WOODHALL.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FANCY DRESS BALL.—FOR SALE, at the New Cloth Bazaar in Mombadevi, Silk Gauze and Satin Gold Brocades and embroidered Muslins. Apply at the shop of PURSHOTUM GEERTHUR.

REWARD.—LOST, on SATURDAY EVENING last, on Warden Road, Breach Candy, an AMETHYST BROOCH, set in gold. Whoever will bring the same to S. T., care of the Office of this Paper, shall be handsomely rewarded.

14th February 1870.

OVERLAND CARGO.—The s. s. CHINA, from Suez, has brought the CARGOES of the following Vessels :—

ACCELERATED CARGO, Ex
s. s. SYRIA, from Southampton, 15th January.
„ POONAH, from Marseilles, 23rd January.

UNACCELERATED CARGO, Ex
„ NYANZA, from Southampton, 8th January.
„ MINIA, from Liverpool, 9th January.

G. F. HENRY,
Superintendent P. & O. S. N. Company.

Bombay, 14th February 1870.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN CENSUS FOR 1870.

THE AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT having ordered a General Census to be taken for the year 1870, all AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN SUBJECTS who, though residing in India, wish to be recognized as such and to preserve their nationality, are hereby invited to call at the Austro-Hungarian Consulate, 39 Medow Street, Bombay, between 12 and 2 o'clock, or at the Consulates at Calcutta or Madras, for filling up the several heads of the official Census Tables. Those Austro-Hungarian subjects in whose residence no Austro-Hungarian Consular Officer exists, or who are prevented from appearing personally at the abovementioned offices, are requested to send to the nearest Consulate full particulars of their name, age, family, profession and birthplace.

The Census will be CLOSED after the expiration of one month from the date of this Notice.

A. C. GUMPERT, Kt., F. J. & C.,
I. & R. Austro-Hungarian Consul.

Bombay, 15th February 1870.

SALE BY AUCTION.—On THURSDAY the 17th instant, Messrs. BOMANJEE DOSSABHOY & Co. will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at their Rooms, in Meadow Street, Fort, the handsomely open carved Blackwood HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., &c., of a Gentleman proceeded to Europe, the same comprising plated glass and porcelain wares, the furniture consisting of square, dining, circular, pier, sofa, washing and dressing tables; easy, folding, long arm and rocking chairs; coversation and full backed couches and sofas with silk and imitation leather linings and springs, with drawing-room chairs to match; English brass and carved blackwood four posts bedsteads and camp cot, with and without mattresses and curtains; teapoys, hatstand, dumb waiter, wardrobe, chest of drawers, screen, valuable engravings, in maple and gilt frames, carpets, musical boxes, plated and bronzed 1 & 2 lights hanging and glass pendant and table lamps, children's perambulators, photographic frames, table ornaments and sundries.

ALSO,

A first rate square mahogany Pianoforte, by John Broadwood & Sons, London.

BOMANJEE DOSSABHOY & Co.

Bombay, 14th February 1870.

IN the HIGH COURT of JUDICATURE at BOMBAY.—Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.

In the matter of the Indian Companies' Act 1866, and of the EAST INDIA BANK (in Liquidation).

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Petition for the winding up of the abovenamed Company by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay on the 14th day of February 1870, presented to the Honorable Mr. Justice Westropp, one of the Judges of the said High Court, by Byramjee Pestonjee Capea and Amiroodeen Abdool Lateef, shareholders, in the said Company, and that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the said Mr. Justice Westropp on MONDAY the 7th day of March 1870, and any Creditor or Contributory of the said Company desirous to oppose the making of an order for the winding up of the said Company under the above Act should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his counsel for that purpose, and a copy of the Petition will be furnished to any Creditor or Contributory of the said Company requiring the same by the undersigned, on payment of the regulated charge for the same.—Dated this 14th day of February 1870.

KEIR, PRESCOT & WINTER,
Solicitors for the Petitioners.

BEZIQUE.

A supply of this Game just received; per case, From Cash Rs. 2 to Credit Rs. 8.

TREACHER & Co. (Limited).

NOTICES.

GEO. NICOLL and COMPANY,
Boot and Shoe Makers.
24, MEADOW STREET, BOMBAY.
1, EAST STREET, POONA.
1, ELPHINSTONE STREET, KURRACHEE.

GENERAL BUSINESS HOUSE
FOR
LAW AGENCY, SCHEDULE of INSOLVENCY, ARBITRATION, BROKERAGE, CONTRACT, LANDING and CLEARING, COMMISSION, &c., &c.
FRANCIS AZEVEDO,
No. 1, Bell Lane, Fort.

N.B.—Orders attended to promptly. Sufficient security furnished. Terms exceedingly moderate.

GOLD MEDAL, BROACH EXHIBITION.

KEYLESS WATCHES, Gold and Silver, of every description
SILVER HUNTERS, warranted for 2 years. Price Rs. 50.
FAVRE, LEUBA, & Co.

OFFICE CLOCKS, Patent Lever, Rs. 25.
FAVRE, LEUBA, & Co.

MARBLE and ALABASTER CLOCKS, a great variety in stock. FAVRE, LEUBA, & Co.

MUSICAL BOXES, from Rs. 10 to Rs. 500.
FAVRE, LEUBA, & Co.

FOR THE BOMBAY RACES, 1870.—A Splendid Gold Semi-Hunting Stop WATCH, making fifths (5ths) of Seconds. Also several CHRONOGRAPHS.
FAVRE, LEUBA, & Co.

WENHAM LAKE ICE COMPANY,
No. 9, MARINE STREET, FORT,
Corner of Clare and Bellasis Roads, Byculla.

WENHAM LAKE ICE on SALE, wholesale and retail.

Pass Books for Monthly Credit Accounts available at Fort or Byculla Office.

Particular attention paid to the execution of out-station orders. Orders from out-stations must be accompanied by Cash or reference for payment in Bombay.

Orders by Telegraph should mention Bombay reference.

TOBACCO on S

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHARE MARKET.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

MARKET dull and declining.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.§

Number of Shares.	Nomi. value of sh.	Paid up.	Last divi-dend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
100,000	100	all	10 p. ct	Agra Bank	120
22,500	1,000	all	5 p. ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,450
15,000	500	all	5 p. ct.	Ditto of Bombay New	615
10,000	500	100		Ditto 2nd Res. Issue	190
5,250	1,000	all	12 p. ct	Ditto of Madras	1,550
80,000	250	all	6 p. ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. L. & China	330
40,000	20	all	6 do.	Chartered Bk. of L. & C.	190
25,296	25	12	8 do.	National Bank of India	136
100,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	440

PRESS COMPANIES.

150	5,000	2,850	350 p.	Akbar Cotton Press Co...	2,200
200	2,000	1,100	100 do.	Albert Co. Kurrachee ...	575
250	2,000	850	60 do.	Alexandra Press Co.....	460
	12,500	11,000	200 do.	Apollo Press Co.....	7,100
200	2,000	all	375 do.	Bombay Press Co.....	1,850
200	500	all	85 do.	Do. New	480
500	1,000	all	90 do.	Dakaie Press Co	5,500
350	2,000	all		East India Press Co ...	1,100
150	9,500	all	1000*	Fort Press Co.....	9,100
200	2,000	1,800		Framji Cowasji Press ...	200
200	6,000	all	285 p.	Hydraulic Press Co..	2,750
1000	5,000	2,000	100 p.	Kurrachee Press Co....	675
1,000	1,000	500		Mofus. Press & G. Co...	220
125	2,500	all	350	Prince of Wales Press ...	3,000
225	2,000	750	200 p.	Victoria Press, Madras...	1,075
150	2,000	all		Do. Bombay Press Co.....	1,450

(For share for the half-year.)

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

—	£20	218.3.6	5 p. c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	725
—	£20	109.1.3	do.	Do. New £20 shares	117
—	£5	43.10.2	do.	Do.	6
—	£10	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1,100
—	£10	186.5.1	do.	Do. New Shares	200

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	5,000	all	Rs. 65	Colaba Land Co..... 1,515
10,800	1,000	all	Rs. 30	Elphinstone Land..... 1,015
10,500	1,000	650	11-14	Do. New 640
8,000	150	all	Nil	Freze Land & Pier Co. Ld 160
2,000	5,000	4,100	Nil	Mazagon Land 1,010
8,000	2,000	1,250	Nil	Fort Canning 240

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

400	2,000	1,700	50	Albert Mills Co.....	750
800	2,500	all	90*	p. a. Alliance Spinning	1,735
1st	5,000	all	...	Bombay.....	2,900
2nd	1,000	all	120 p. c.	Bombay United	730
900	500	all	...	Bronch Mills	210
200	500	all	...	Dharumsey Spinning ...	1,240
750	2,000	all	150 p. a.	Great Eastern.....	1,330
500	1,000	250	50	Manockji Petit's	735
4,500	1,500	475	...	Oriental.....	1,280
600	2,500	2,300	...	Royal	1,360

MISCELLANEOUS.

	2,500	1,800	135 p. a.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	855
4,000	50	all	8p. c.	Mechanics' B'ldg Co..	33
500	2,000	850	9	Kurrachee Landing and Shipping Company ...	160
2,000	500	all	Nil	Treschez & Co.	300

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

		Date of Undtn.		
500	50	Jan. '66	Bank of Bombay ..	45
	31		Do. China...	5
200	35	Sept. '67	B'bay Trdg & B'ldg	6
200	40	Sept. '67	Brokers' Bank	15
250	...	Mar. '68	Central Bank	3
			East India Bank's...	15—1
200	10	Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula ...	6
200	681	May '67	Royal Bank	5
130	74	Apr. '67	Old Financial	1

COMPANIES IN LIQUIDATION.

8,500	1,750	Nov. '66	Back Bay Co.	515
7,500	7,400	...	B'bay & Bengal S. N.	100
5,000	2,400		Bombay Shi Co....	100

CALCUTTA.—9TH FEBRUARY, 1870.

Government Securities.—The market was active and considerable transactions reported at the following rates:—4 per cents, some good amounts to different parties for cash, at Rs. 94-4, 95-5 and 95-6, or ¼-12 to 4-10 discount, and time-bargain contracts, likewise for large amounts, at Rs. 95-0 or 5 discount, for deliveries in a fortnight. Public Works 5 per cents obtained Rs. 102-14 and 103-0. Some 5 per cents of 1856-57, for investment orders, at Rs 108-2 and 5½ per cents at Rs 112-12. A lot of 3 years' Debentures was placed at Rs 100-12.

6 per cent Municipal Debentures, large and small sums, found purchasers at from Rs 107-10 to 108-0; the higher prices being paid for small pieces.

Bank of Bengal shares—A good number were bought to-day by different parties at Rs 1,465, exclusive of the dividend, and a few sold at Rs 1,470 each.

National Bank shares were in demand; in the forenoon some small lots sold at Rs 1,100, but during the day and afternoon, much above 100 shares found buyers at Rs 120 each.

Agra Bank £5 contributory A shares changed hands at Rs 2½ premium—*Englishman*.

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—FEBRUARY 14.

Colville, Lieutenant, Madras Cavalry, on duty, from England.
Martin, Ensign, 3rd Regiment, to join, from England.
Mitford, Lieutenant, 1st Royals, on leave, from England.
Morgan, Major, Madras Staff Corps, on medical certificate, from England.
Hill, Captain, 1st Royals, on leave, from England.
Walsh, Assistant Surgeon, Medical Department, on medical certificate, from England.
Roberts, Captain, Royal Engineers, on duty, from Suez.
Griffith, Captain, Royal Engineers, on duty, from England.
Shortt, Lieutenant-Colonel, Political Department, on leave, from England.
Mason, Major, Staff Corps, on duty, from England.
Ingram, Ensign, 6th Regiment, to join, from England.
Pottinger, Major, Royal Artillery, on duty, from Poona.
Hewett, Lieutenant-Colonel, Staff Corps, on duty, from Tanna
Fraser, Major, Madras Staff Corps, on duty, from Hyderabad.
Ritchie, Captain, Royal Artillery, on leave, from Kirkee.
Owen, Lieutenant-Colonel, Staff Corps on leave, from Morar.
Harrison, Ensign, 40th Regiment, on duty, from Bhooj.
Yard, Lieutenant, 8-1st Royals, Medical Board, from Nusseerabad.
Davis, Major, 2nd Belooch Regiment, on leave, from Kurrachee.
Chisholm, Lieutenant, 59th Regiment, on duty, from Poona.
Haynes, Captain, 93rd Highlanders, on duty, from Deolalee.

DEPARTURES.—FEBRUARY 14.

Westropp, Captain, Staff Corps, on duty, to —.
Collins, Inspector Veterinary Surgeon, on duty, to Mhow.
Wray, Lieutenant, Royal Artillery, on duty, to Mhow.
Ingram, Ensign, 6th Regiment, to join, to Beypore.
Martin, Ensign, 3rd Regiment, to join, to Nagpore.
Chisholm, Lieutenant, 59th Regiment, on duty, to Kurrachee.

SHIPPING.

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT—16TH FEBRUARY.

London...	Cotton	£2 0s. 0d.	Nom. p. ton
	Cases	£2 0s. 0d. to £2 5s. 0d.	
	Seeds	£1 10s. 0d.	
Liverpool	Iron Ships Cotton	£1 5s. 0d. to £1 12s. 6d.	"
	Wooden Ships	£1 5s. 0d. to £1 10s. 0d.	
	Myrabolms & Coir bills	£0 10s. 0d. to £0 12s. 6d.	
	Seeds	£0 15s. 0d. to £1 0s. 0d.	
Havre	Cotton	£1 17s. 6d. to £2 0s. 0d.	
	Coffee	Nominal	
Overland ...	Steamers	£3 17s. 6d. to £4 5s. 0d.	
Liverpool via Suez Canal		£3 0s. 0d. to £3 10s. 0d.	
China	Steamer Cotton	Rs. 6	per bale.
	Opium	Rs. 25 to 30	per chest.
	Sailing Ships	Nominal	
Calcutta .. Salt		Rs. 3 0 0 to 4 0 0	per ton.
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 13 to 14 and Calcutta Port charges	
Mauritius		8 annas per bag nominal.	

ARRIVALS.

Feb.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
14	J. P. Smith	Hutchinson	Liverpool, Oct. 2.
	Dioscuru	Wagner,	ewcastle, Nov. 25.
	Clarendon	Davis	London, Sept. 23.
	Hamoody	Noco a	Calcutta, Jan. 8.
	Auriga	Ronald-son	Sunderland, Oct. 6.
	Wolville	Coulter	Sunderland, Oct. 23.
	Amy Warwick	Belbin	Bangkok via Singapore, Jan. 2.
	Carl	Engstrow	Stockholm.
	Sheppleton (s)	Cooper	Suez Canal.
	Aurora	Finlay	Liverpool, Oct. 23.
	Eastern Light	Mazee	Liverpool, Sept. 12.

DEPARTURES.

Feb.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
14	Great Eastern (s)	Halpin	Aden and Suez.
	Chiltern (s)	Edington	Aden and Suez.
	Comorin (s)	Turner	Kurrachee.
	Neera (s)	Hamcom	Aden and Suez.
	Sir J. R. Carnac (s).	Guizelar	Gozoo & Bhownuggur.
	General Havelock (s)	Drewitt	Cutch Mandvee.
	M. S. Elphinstone (s)	Duguy	Coast and Goa.

The barque Thomas Stowe, Sexton, to Bordeaux via Cochin, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

The following vessels began to load yesterday—
Steamer Abyssinia, to Persian Gulf via Kurrachee.
Ship Violetta, to Persian Gulf.

BENGAL.

The Telegraph of February 8th, has the following:—

ARRIVALS.—Steamer Maharatta [B], A Scott, Bombay 18th January; and ship Rosella [S], P Meldrum, Liverpool 24th October.

Particulars of vessel previously announced,—Ship Melbourne, [B], A Smith, Liverpool 24th Oct.

DEPARTURES.—Ships Tantallon Castle, Mohussar, and Edith Warner.

The Telegraph of February 9th, has the following:—

ARRIVAL.—Ship Jumna, [B], G Laing, London 21st Oct.

Particulars of vessel previously announced,—Ship Silvia, [B], R Todbury, London 26th October.

DEPARTURES.—Steamer Godavery, ships Humber, Patrician, Naturalist, and Java.

COLABA OBSERVATORY.

RESULTS OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS made at the Government Observatory, Colaba, Latitude—18° 53' 30" N., long. 4h 51m. 16s. E. Height of Barometer above the Sea=37 feet.

Mean daily values derived from 24 hourly observations on February 12.

Barometer, corrected to 32 deg. Fah	29.856	inches.
Temperature of the Air	74.9	"
Wet Bulb Thermometer	68.7	"
Dew Point	66.0	"
Relative Humidity of Air	75.1	"
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded=8)	2.9	"
Maximum temperature of air (read at 9½ A.M.) on following days	79.8	"
Minimum do. do.	71.2	"

Gen. Direction of Wind WNW, ESE, E, ENE, E, NW, WNW, NW.

Movement in 24 hours ..... 281 miles.

POSTAL NOTICES.

OVERLAND MAILS.

The Overland Mail, per P. and O. Co.'s steam packet, will be closed on SATURDAY, the 19th Feb., at 2 P.M.; the after-packet at 3 P.M. After-packet letters will not be forwarded unless an 8-anna Stamp is affixed to the letter in addition to the postage. Registered letters will be received until 1 P.M. The latest hour for posting at the several Branch Post Offices is 1 P.M.

CHINA MAILS.

The Post Office Packets for Ceylon, Penang, Singapore, and Hongkong, per P. & O. Company's steamer, will be closed on FRIDAY, the 18th Feb., at 9 A.M. A packet for late letters will be kept open on payment of the usual fee until 10 A.M. Registered letters will be received until 6 P.M. of the previous day.

MAILS FOR MAURITIUS, THE CAPE, &c.

The Government of Mauritius having terminated their Contract with the Union Steam Ship Company for the conveyance of Mails between Ceylon and Mauritius, and between Mauritius and Natal, letters, &c., for Mauritius will, in future, be forwarded *viâ* Aden, to be thence conveyed by the French Mail Packets.

As the communication with the Cape of Good Hope and Natal is also thus cut off, all correspondence, addressed to those Colonies, will under instructions be sent in the Mail for London.

In consequence of the alteration of the dates of departure of the French Mail Packets from Aden to Mauritius, the Mails for Mauritius, Reunion, &c., will be forwarded on the 4th December, from Bombay to Aden, to be thence conveyed by the above-named Packets to destination.

MAIL BETWEEN CALCUTTA, THE STRAITS, AND HONGKONG.

Under arrangements made with the owners of the Opium Steamers, which ply monthly between Calcutta, the Straits, and Hongkong, these Steamers are closed as Indian Mail Packet, and Letters, Newspapers, and Packets of Newspapers, Books, or Patterns are forwarded by them from Calcutta for the Straits and Hongkong under the same conditions, and at the same rates, as similar articles forwarded by British Mail Packets [Peninsular and Oriental Company].

These Steamers leave Calcutta about 12 days more or less after each Government Opium Sale.

Mails for the United States of America, via Hongkong, can be forwarded by these Steamers at the same rates and under the same conditions as by British Packets.

The Opium Steamers proceed from Calcutta direct to the Straits and thence to Hongkong, and the time of transit from Calcutta to Hongkong is only about 15 days, that is, about 7 days less than the time taken by the British Packets [Peninsular and Oriental Company], which proceed by the more circuitous route of Madras and Galle.

DESPATCH OF MAILS FROM BOMBAY.

MAILS.	Date of Departure.	Mail closes	After 1 past/hast.
Overland Mail	Feb. 19th.	2 P.M.	3 P.M.
China Mail	Feb. 18th.	9 A.M	10 A.M.
Ceylon	"	"	"
Penang	"	"	"
Singapore	"	"	"
Hongkong	"	"	"
Australian Colonies	" 18th.	"	"
Kurrachee	Every Mon.	Noon.	Noon.
Muscat	"	"	"
Persian Gulf	"	"	"
Bussorah	"	"	"
Bagdad	"	"	"
Malabar Coast and Calcutta	5th and 19th	...	...

AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

The Post Office Packet for Australia, per P. & O. steamers will be closed at 9 A.M. on the following date; the regulations regarding late and registered letters being the same as those for the China Mail:—

Friday .....Feb. 18

DESPATCH OF INLAND MAILS FROM BOMBAY.

Revised Table of the hours for closing the Inland Mails to continue in force till further notice.

MAILS.	General Office.	Branch Offices.
For Post Towns on the N. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, for Khandeish, Malwa, Berar, Central Provinces, Punjab, N. W. Provinces, and Bengal	11 A.M.	10 A.M.
Do. on the S. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, for Poona, the Deccan, S. M. Country, and Madras Presidency, also for Ahmednuggur and Seroor	12 NOON.	11 A.M.
Do. on the S. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, as far as Poona	8 A.M.	5 P.M. previous day.
Do. on the B. B. and C. I. Railway, for Guzerat, Kurrachee, Sind, Kattiawar, and Cutch	3-30 A.M.	5 P.M. previous day.
Do. in Southern Concan, i. e., for Penn, Nogotna, Mhar, Khed, Rajpoolee, and Ruttnagherry	6 A.M.	

Registered letters and banghy parcels for despatch by all mails will be received except on Sundays, from 8 A.M. to 4 P.M.

COPPER PLATE PRINTING, ENGRAVING, &c.—VISITING CARDS, Invitation Cards, Wedding Cards and Envelopes, Cheques, Bills of Lading, Office and Bank Seals, Seals for Stamping Envelopes, &c., engraved to order, and at moderate prices. Specimens may be seen at the Office of the Bombay Gazette" Press.

JOB PRINTING in all its BRANCHES.—Ornamental Printing in Colours and in Gold. Bills, Broadsides, Theatrical and Musical Programmes, Cards of all descriptions; Banking and Mercantile Ledgers, Memo. Heads, &c., &c.; Machine-ruling and Paging, and Bookbinding. Estimates forwarded on application to the Manager.

BOMBAY GAZETTE STEAM PRESS.

ADVERTISING AT RAILWAY STATIONS.

THE Proprietor of the "Bombay Gazette" Press having leased (among other privileges) from the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company, and the Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Company, the exclusive right of advertising at all the Railway Stations belonging to these two Companies, is prepared to contract with parties desirous of posting Notices or Advertisements on the lines.

The announcements may be in English or in any of the Native languages.

The advantages which Railway Stations present as a means of bringing intimations of all kinds before the public have been demonstrated in England by the extensive use which is made by Advertisers, of every station, great and small, along every line in the United Kingdom.

Insurance Companies, Shipping Companies, Hotel-keepers, Merchants, Traders, and others who wish to force their business on the notice of the public, all alike value the privilege of Railway Station Advertising.

There is no reason why the privilege should not be also specially valuable to Advertisers in India. Looking to the great and increasing number of Native Railway passengers on the two trunk lines of Western India, native merchants, traders, &c., seeing that they have the privilege of advertising in their own language, would find the publication of their announcements at Railway Stations a decided means of extending their business.

Placards, according to the taste of Advertisers, may be printed at the "Bombay Gazette" Press.

Advertisers can select the Stations, on either line, at which they wish their Placards posted, and may advertise for any period that may be agreed on. The charges have been fixed on an extremely moderate scale to encourage Advertisers to make a liberal use of the new means now offered of making announcements known to the public.

Terms of Advertising may be learned on application to the Manager "Bombay Gazette" Press.
Bombay Gazette" Press, 1869.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS ONE RUPEE AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BOMBAY.

DEATHS.

BALFOUR—February 13th, at Malabar Hill, Mr. Lewis Balfour.
CLARK—February 14th, at Malabar Hill, Isabella, wife of Robert Clark, Esq., New Bank of Bombay, aged 27. Friends are requested to meet at Colaba Cemetery at 5 past 5 this afternoon.

NORTH-WEST PROVINCES, &c.

BIRTH.

DOUGLAS—February 8th, at Umballa, the wife of Captain, H. M. de W. Douglas, Bengal Staff Corps, of a son.

NOTICE.

All CHEQUES, MONEY ORDERS, and other Remittances sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

Bombay Gazette Office, Bombay.

The Bombay Gazette

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1870.

IN our yesterday's article we pointed out the objections, as they appeared to us, against the constitution of the committees for the administration of the Local Funds, we wish here to enquire briefly into the manner in which these funds are to be expended. By the preamble to the Act the Local Funds are levied "to provide funds for local works of public utility and convenience, and to make better provision for education and *sanitary* improvements in the Presidency of Bombay;" and in article IV. of the Act—roads, schools, dispensaries, markets and wells, and other works for improving the water supply, are specially included by name as among the works and undertakings calculated to promote the public health, education and convenience. The cess then is specially levied for the works above mentioned, yet if we look to the rules which may be now taken as part of the Act, having the force of law, we find that—by rules III. and IV, "one-third of the proceeds of the One Anna Cess shall be held to belong to the Educational Department for expenditure in the talooka in which it is levied" and "The remaining two-thirds....shall be expended wholly in the talooka in which it is levied exclusively on roads and communications and works subordinate thereto, *i.e.*, on dharumsalas or rest-houses, or water supply and the plantations of avenues of trees." Now the proceeds of the One Anna Cess constitutes, as we have said before, the great bulk of the revenues of the Local Funds, in some districts, it is true, large additions are made to the revenues from extraneous sources, such as the proceeds of the contracts for removing sand from the seashore in the Concan; but unless Government intends to make over other funds than those already made over we may almost treat the proceeds of the One Anna Cess and the "Local Funds" as synonymous. We are therefore at a loss to understand why, when so much stress is laid upon sanitary improvements in the Act, no single pie of the proceeds of the One Anna Cess may be diverted to cleaning the villages, clearing overgrowth, or establishing hospitals or dispensaries. All the money is to be spent on communications, even the water supply is treated—we scarcely see by what chain of reasoning—" as a subordinate work to roads and communications." Roads are very necessary doubtless, and splendid officials travelling in the districts to the ruin of the springs of their carriages, the damage of their working, and no small trial to their tempers are apt to consider that good roads are required for the comfort and happiness of the people rather than dispensaries or even wells. But the greater part of the passenger traffic in the country is conveyed in springless carts adapted to country tracks, and unless the Local Funds are intended to supplant instead of supplementing imperial expenditure, and the main lines of communication are to be maintained by the Local Funds of the districts through which they pass, this exclusive expenditure on roads and communications appears ridiculous. At present there are positively no funds available for sanitary improvements. Dispensaries are unknown, save in a few towns where there are Municipalities, while no provision can be made to remove the overgrown prickly-pear, which, surrounding and choking up half the villages in the Mofussil and serving as a convenient bee-hive for the whole population, poisons the atmosphere in which the people live. We sincerely trust that the local funds are not to be diverted from their real purpose and made to supply imperial needs, but this application of the whole cess to roads and communications looks very like it. Roads are necessary things, but except when the traffic is very great expensively made roads are not remunerative. When the country is level, as in the greater part of the Deccan, the country tracks are quite sufficient for the ordinary traffic, the main lines of communication should, we maintain, be kept up from imperial funds, and the Local Funds be only applied to the improvement of the country roads, the lines of internal communication in the several districts. Any amount of money can be spent on roads, and we do not wish to imply that the Local Funds could not be profitably spent on lines of communication alone; we only are sorry to see that sanitary improvements of which the country stands in such urgent need are so utterly lost sight of and unprovided for. The cess payers form an overwhelming portion of the population in every town, and there could therefore be no objection to spending the proceeds of the Local Cess in dispensaries and markets in the chief towns of the talookas. In many of these, happily, there are no Municipalities, and such as have municipal funds at their disposal are not wealthy enough to do much more than keep the town clean. Another objection we would make to this rule is the narrow limit of the locality in which the funds may be spent. Only in the talooka in which they are levied! Now in the case of dharumsalas or wells or much frequented roads a work may benefit the whole district, to wit, a dharumsala at a railway station or bunder, and it seems hard that the whole expense should be borne by the talooka in which the work happens to be situated. This rule again must put an effectual embargo on all large works, such as a bridge over a river on a main line of communication or a large rest-house when such a one may be required. Surely with a talooka committee to watch over its own interests, a district committee carefully selected from different parts of the district, and the "general supervision" of the Revenue Commissioner over the whole, fuller powers as to the distribution of the funds might have been given, without much danger of special localities being unduly favoured. Because discretionary Government is past there is no reason to suppose that the discretion of local officers is a thing of the past also. Yet so little is left to it in these rules that such seems to be the accepted dogma by those who sit in the high places of the Secretariat.

Of the curious details treated of in these rules we have little to say. We should like to have seen the president of committees granted fuller executive powers, as administration by committees seldom succeeds, but virtually, we imagine, the official members of the committees will be the working ones and have all the actual trouble and responsibility; and since we are to be governed by committees something more of a representative character might have been provided for. Throughout the rules, as in all the later resolutions of Government, Collectors of districts receive but scant consideration, and are placed too completely in subordination to the Revenue Commissioner. Centralization may be a good thing, yet it seems ridiculous to take all power out of the hands of an experienced local officer, who may be presumed to have some knowledge of his district, and put it in the hands of the Revenue Commissioner who is already overworked. Why should the Collector not be allowed to sanction contracts for more than Rs. 5,000? Is his incapability moral or intellectual? And is not an official who draws an income of some twenty-five thousand rupees a year to be held capable of making a "new appointment of an overseer, clerk or carkoon" without "the sanction of the Revenue Commissioner?" But this is perhaps a small matter to find fault with. We will conclude, with expressing our earnest hope that rule IV., which so unnecessarily fetters the hands of the Local Fund committees, may be reconsidered.

THE Allahabad Bank has declared a dividend for the past half-year at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum.

THE Agra Savings Bank has declared a dividend for the past half-year at the rate of 9 per cent. per annum.

THE Hon. G. Noble Taylor is expected to leave Calcutta by the P. and O. steamer of the 2nd March for England.

THE "Pioneer" says that the Hon. Mr. Strachey's state of health is held to necessitate some cessation of work, and that the hon. gentleman is consequently about to proceed for a week or two to Simla.

MR. H. LEE SMITH, Chief Engineer of the Punjab Northern (State) Railway, has, we observe, been summoned to Calcutta to confer with Government on certain matters connected with the line under his charge, about which differences of opinion have arisen.

THE *Delhi Gazette's* Cabul correspondent states that the King of Bokhara has written to his disobedient son, who was lately the guest of Shere Ali, assuring him of forgiveness, if he would only return to Bokhara. His Majesty evidently thinks the young man would be safer at home than elsewhere.

ENDEAVOURS will be made to offer Lord Mayo some tiger shooting in the Hoshungabad district on his way from Bhosawul to Jubbulpore on the 5th March. The Duke of Edinburgh too, after the opening of the Jubbulpore Railway on the 7th, will halt at Bagra, near Hoshungabad, for the 8th and 9th, when it is hoped that His Royal Highness will enjoy an interview with a royal tiger or two.

THE "Pioneer" learns by telegram that the movement of troops from Debra Ismael Khan towards Jetta on the Tank frontier was adopted as a precautionary measure only. The Waziris seemed somewhat restless, and it was considered advisable to keep an eye on them. No conflict, however, has taken place, nor was any anticipated. The telegram says that the accounts that have been published of this affair are very much exaggerated.

DEPARTURE OF THE GREAT EASTERN.

THE Great Eastern has departed on her voyage to Aden. She left her moorings about nine o'clock yesterday morning, and, with the Chiltern, proceeded out to the spot where the end of the section of cable laid on Monday last was buoyed. This end having been spliced on board the Chiltern with the end of the Great Eastern's cable, the two steamers started about six o'clock. On the vessels coming to anchor in the forenoon, His Excellency the Governor and a party of ladies and gentlemen sailed out to the Great Eastern from Malabar Point in the s. s. May Frere. His Excellency watched the splicing operation on board the Chiltern with great interest, and intended to proceed some distance out with the Great Eastern with the object of seeing the paying-out machinery at work. It was after seven o'clock before any of those who went out with the Great Eastern returned, and we shall therefore postpone anything further on the subject till to-morrow.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

[PER REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, 2ND FEB., AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market to-day was quiet. Fair Dhollera 9¾d.

At the periodical biddings to-day for Government Bills on India, £358,000 were allotted to Calcutta and £29,000 to Madras. The minimum rate fixed was 1s. 11d. Tenders at 1s. 11½d. receive 18 per cent. above in full.

The ship Alonzo has arrived from Bombay.

LONDON, 10TH FEB.

The Liverpool Cotton Market to-day was quiet. Fair Dhollera 9¾d.

The Bank of England returns for the week ending 10th February show the following results:—

Reserve of Notes	£11,000,000
Bills discounted	£18,375,000
Cash	£19,625,000

LONDON, 11TH FEB., AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market was quiet.
Dhollera 9¾d.
The Manchester market is firm and advancing.
7 lbs. Shirtings ..... 9s. 4½d.
8¼ " " .....10s. 10½d.
The Bombay Mail of the 29th January arrived at Suez on the 11th February.

SIND.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

KURRACHEE, 9TH FEBRUARY.

POLITICS, rather than polemics, are the most congenial topics for exposition and discussion in the columns of the daily press, and more particularly in the contributions of "Our Own Correspondents," but there are times and seasons when a necessity arises for a departure from this legitimate routine. In a recent number of a Kurrachee paper appears an article headed "High Church and Low Church." It is intended to hold up to ridicule the few "innovations" introduced by our Chaplain for the more hearty and effective rendering of the services held in Trinity Church; but its contents unmistakeably defeat the purpose for which it has been published. The writer fires his shots from under the wings of an "esteemed correspondent," who, he tells us, has written to him a letter (which, however, is so personal that he does not publish it) on the "unwarrantable introduction of ceremonial and sensuous practices into the services of Holy Trinity Church." The nature of these practices are, be it noted, not detailed *in extenso*, but the world is informed that they are "offensive;" that they have caused the "virtual breaking up of a large and influential congregation, and driven some to seek from the teaching at Christ's Church, the consolations of divine worship, pure and simple"; and that thus, "the Mission Church is crowded every Sabbath, while the congregation attending Trinity Church is becoming less and less every week." It is quite clear that the author of these remarks has not once attended the services he condemns so strongly; for if he had, he would have discovered that, so far from the "innovations" complained of having engendered dissension or caused a disruption in the congregation of Trinity Church, they have had quite a contrary effect. People now attend the services far more regularly than they were wont to do in days gone by, and on Sabbath evenings many find it difficult to obtain seats. If these "innovations,"—which by the way it is as well to mention comprise simply the vesting of the choir in surplices and the reading of a lesson occasionally by the precentor—are so very objectionable, it seems most remarkable that on last Christmas-day Presbyterians, Wesleyans, and Baptists should have mustered in such strong force and joined their episcopalian brethren in attending the morning and evening services at Trinity Church. That sacred fane was so crowded on the 25th of December last, that many found it impossible to obtain seats, and had to return to their homes.

No one can accuse us "Sindians" of not according honour to those whom honour is due. We have not been niggard in bestowing commendation upon Mr. Ashby Ingle for his zeal and industry in carrying out, despite the formidable obstacles which surrounded the project, the arrangements connected with the Kurrachee Fair and Exhibition,—or, rather we should say the Kurrachee Exhibition,—for the fair, owing to untoward circumstances about which the least said the better, was, unquestionably, a miserable failure. And he pre-eminently deserves all that has been said to his credit. The most captious critic cannot but acknowledge that he worked hard,—harder indeed than anybody else perhaps would have done under the difficulties he had to contend against, in collecting and arranging the many heterogeneous specimens of the arts and manufactures of this and neighbouring provinces which had been contributed for exposition; and Sir William Merewether did not fail to evince his appreciation of Mr. Ingle's services, by awarding to him, in the presence of all the highest representatives of our naval, military and civil services who had assembled in Frere Hall on the day of the opening ceremonial, that meed of praise to which he was entitled. But since that event, the local press has twice solicited him, without success, to vouchsafe to the public some information in respect to the sums realized by the sale of the articles at the exhibition, and to communicate the names of those fortunate gentlemen to whom prizes have been awarded by the select committee. His reticence on these points is unaccountable.

Situated as Sind is geographically, it must be admitted that it commands the key of our North Western frontier. Our harbour, our river, and our railway are all in our favour towards this desirable end, and our sea-port must ere long become the *point d'appui* from England as well as of departure to it by sea. Until the Euphrates valley line is eventually constructed this recognition may be postponed, but it must come ultimately. To render it worthy however of so prominent a position, we are bound to do our utmost to provide all the means and appliances by which we can claim for it, not only ostensibly but in reality, the key to all our out-lying north-western dependencies. There are many measures indispensably necessary nevertheless, before we can, with any prospect of success, put forward our plea for this primary recognition. As we have won India by 'the sword,' in like manner must we retain it. And this, despite all the civilizing influences we are bringing to bear to the mutual advantage of the millions of this vast empire as well as to ourselves. It is necessary, therefore, that in the meantime we should exercise our best endeavours to provide suitable accommodation for the reception of troops on their arrival from England. It must be of such a character as will modify, as much as possible, the climatic change from Europe to this sultry clime. A movement to a limited extent has already been made in this direction. Two upper-storied barracks have been erected, unequalled as regards convenience, ventilation, and accommodation throughout India. For stability they are patterns of sterling good masonry, and for the comfort of the men they, without exaggeration, excel all the barracks in this presidency. But two are not enough. We want more such edifices—aye, a dozen more, to afford sufficient accommodation for our soldiery. Besides this, before Sind can avail itself of the advantages it enjoys climatically and geographically, there are several other works of importance which require to be carried out, the most prominent among which are our harbour improvements, which, unfortunately, after being vigorously prosecuted to a considerable extent, have, as the public already know, been suddenly stopped under orders of the Imperial Government in consequence of the low state of the national funds, and the result will be that the good effects of what has already been done will, in time, be rendered nugatory, and hereafter we shall have to go over the old ground again and spend twice the amount we have already done.

Travellers recently arrived from Sukkur, the principal trading port of Upper Sind, declare that a proper medical officer is a *desideratum* much felt there, especially when there is an unusual amount of sickness among the European population, which, it is said, is daily increasing. At present there is only one medical subordinate, who, owing to his physical infirmities, is totally unfit to discharge efficiently the varied and important duties that devolve upon him; and though this fact has been repeatedly brought to the notice of Government, no steps have as yet been taken to appoint an officer qualified to undertake so important a medical charge. It was only last year that Sir William Merewether noticed this subject in his report to Sir Seymour Fitzgerald, in the following terms:—"The medical charge of Sukkur is now centred in an apothecary of the Bombay army who was employed on civil duty at Sukkur. Though he is by education perfectly competent to discharge the multifarious and responsible duties devolving upon him as a medical officer, he is, in some respects, physically unfit for the arduous nature of the duties to be performed in connection with the civil station, the subordinate jail, the police, the dispensary, and the Punjaub Government Flotilla. The want of more efficient medical aid in a largely increasing and important station like Sakkur, possessing a large population of Europeans, is very much felt, and in the event of any epidemic illness, the absence of such aid would be calamitous." The *insouciance* of Government in this matter is as culpable as it is unaccountable. Possibly they will only move in it when some day cholera or some other epidemic breaks out and decimates the town!

The Bishop, accompanied by Mrs. Douglas and the Revd. C. Johnston, returns to Bombay by to-day's mail steamer.

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH AT DELHI.

DELHI, 7TH FEBRUARY.

THE illumination on Saturday night far surpassed the most sanguine expectations. Delhi presents facilities few cities can command for producing fairy-like scenes when well lighted up, and on the present occasion every point had been seized with taste and skill so as to produce a magnificent effect. The long straight lines of lights by which the city wall was covered for miles, commencing at the Cashmere Gate and reaching round nearly one-half the city to the Lahore Gate—in short, covering the whole space that was under the fire of our guns during the siege—were strikingly beautiful. But the scene presented throughout the whole length of road from Ludlow Castle along the Mall up Kudsia and the Circular Roads,

THE JACOBABAD FRAUDS CASE.

The trials in connection with the alleged frauds in the Sind Frontier Force commenced in the Criminal Sessions yesterday before Mr. Justice Bayley and a special jury. Mr. Green appeared on behalf of Mr. Marescaux, manager of the Agra Bank at Kurrachee, and offered an apology for his conduct, but his lordship said he would dispose of that when Mr. Marescaux was called as a witness. Barron was then placed at the bar on charges of falsifying accounts signed by Colonel Phayre in his official capacity, but only Colonel Phayre and Major Macaulay had been examined when the Court adjourned at seven o'clock. The jury, as his lordship intimated at an early stage, were locked up in the Byculla Hotel. They strongly remonstrated against being shut up but the Court was inflexible, and they sat till seven only to prevent another confinement to-night. The Advocate General and Mr. Ferguson appear for the prosecution and Dr. Barton and Mr. McCulloch for the defence. The gentlemen, both of the special and common juries, were told to appear again this morning.

DEPARTURE OF TROOPS FOR ENGLAND.

H. M. S. Indian troopship Jumna sails to-day for Suez with the following troops:—19th Hussars, 93rd Highlanders, detachment of 102nd Regiment, and (for Aden) details of Artillery. The following officers proceed per Jumna:—

Col. Jenkins, 19th Hussars, and Mrs. Jenkins.
Col. Burroughs, 93d Highlanders
Lieut.-Col. Dawson, "
Major Brown, "
Major Williams, "
Surgeon Wright, "
Surgeon Burland, 19th Hussars.
Major Knollys, 93d Highlanders
Capt. Bell, "
" Macpherson, "
" Alexander, "
" Seton, 102nd Foot.
" Fairbrother, 19th Hussars
" Tabuteau, 93rd Highlanders.
" Coghill, 19th Hussars.
" Wood, 102nd Foot.
Assistant Surgeon Jazdowski, 93rd Highlanders.
Capt Haynes.
Paymaster Currie, 19th Hussars.
Capt Robertson, 93 Highlanders
" Fairlie, 19th Hussars.
Paymaster Joiner, 93rd Highlanders.
Capt Chapman, 19th Hussars.
" Webster, "
Lieut McPherson, 93rd Highlanders.
" Carnac, 14th Hussars.
" Biddulph, "
" Faulkner, 93rd Highlanders
" Hay "
Lieut Nethercote, 19th Hussars.
Qr. Master Langdale, "
" McLeod, 93rd Highlanders.
Lieut. Meares, 7th Foot.
Assist. Surg. Babington, 19th Hussars.
Lieut. Campbell, 93rd Highlanders.
" Williams 19th Hussars.
Vety Surg. Barrow.
Lieut Allardyce, 93rd Highlanders.
" MacVicar, 93rd Highlanders.
Cornet Hall, 19th Hussars.
" Barrow, "
" Christie, "
" Macwhirter, "
Conductor Dawson, Bengal Commissariat Department.

THE VISIT OF THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Can you kindly inform your readers what has become of the much-talked-of and much-wished-for order granting officers of the civil and military services leave to proceed to Bombay to witness the forthcoming festivities in honour of the Duke of Edinburgh?

I trust it will soon appear, and that in all cases leave will be granted by the different commanding officers without favour or affection, and that junior officers and others may come in for their proper share according to priority of claim.

If His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief will kindly interest himself in this matter, holding general officers and others responsible for doing justice to all, he will earn the grateful thanks of all ranks.—Yours, &c.,

X. Y. Z.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Amongst the many suggestions offered to give the Duke of Edinburgh a warm reception on his expected visit to Bombay, will you kindly allow me a corner in your issue to add mine also. Rs. 60,000 has already been subscribed, and it strikes me that the Reception Committee might swell the amount considerably, say to about three lacs of rupees, if the distinguished string of Chiefs, Sirdars, and Rajahs, who are expected in Bombay in a few weeks more, could be induced to subscribe their mite to the general fund; of course the more that can be scraped together, all the better.

I have asked of many their views as to how the large sum we get should be spent; of course most go in for illuminations and fireworks as being more congenial to a loyal and patriotic welcome. I may add a Children's Fete might be given on the same or perhaps a larger scale than we had in 1861 or 1862 on the Esplanade, on the occasion of the Prince of Wales' marriage. I am sure nothing will better please "the young and unsophisticated prince" than to see the chubby merry faces of Indian youths gathered together to greet him to Bombay. Tickets at a shilling each might be issued for the non-subscribers to the Reception Fund for admission into the arena of sport; this will give a good sum, which I suggest might be employed for a grand dinner to the inmates of the Sailors' House, the Stranger's Friend's Society, and the Orphanages. The Town Hall requires a good deal of repairs, particularly to the grand stairs. Government, or rather the P. W. D., should surely go in for a share to do this. The principal buildings, as follows, should be illuminated by the Reception Committee:—The Town Hall, St. Thomas' Cathedral, Robert Money School, Bible Society's Book Depôt, Framjee Cowasjee Institution, the Crawford Market, Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy Hospital, Byculla Schools, the Victoria Gardens. Lastly, I suggest that Rs. 30,000 or so be set aside for a fine marble statue of the noble Duke, which might be raised under a suitable canopy in the oval opposite the Town Hall. This I am sure will be a lasting and true tribute of the people of Bombay and will for years to come commemorate the welcome visit of the Royal Sailor Prince.

R. B.

[Whatever else may be done to celebrate his visit to Bombay we trust that no such folly will be committed as to put up a statue of the noble Duke.]

FORT POLICE COURT.—14TH FEBRUARY.

(Before JOHN CONNON, Esq.)

REFUSAL OF DUTY.—Charles Culline Bassun, a seaman of the ship Thetis, was charged with wilful disobedience of lawful commands in refusing to do duty on board the ship, and was sent to jail for two weeks. John Cockeram, a seaman of the ship Galatea, was charged with a similar offence, and was sentenced to be imprisoned for two weeks.

DRUNK AND INCAPABLE.—Frederick Spiers, a European, was charged with being drunk and incapable of taking care of himself at Breach Candy road on the 11th inst., and was fined one rupee, with the alternative of a day's imprisonment.

SIR SALAR JUNG.

We (*Deccan Herald*) are given to understand that Mr. Fraser, the Assistant Resident of Hyderabad, (Deccan), arrived yesterday (Sunday) from Goolburga station and was received at the Poona station by Dustoor Khan Bahadoor Nosherwanjee Jamashjee, and his brother Dustoor Hoosunjee. He proceeded by the same train to Bombay. His Excellency Sir Salar Jung Bahadoor, K. C. S. I., is expected at Poona with the Resident of Hydraba[d] to-morrow morning, by special train. His retinue and 50 horse sowars and about 25 servants, 50 elephants and camels will accompany him. He leaves Poona for Bombay on the 17th instant, by special train, where he will be received by the First and Second Commissioners. He will reside there at the bungalow of Mr. Ramanjee Panthaki. From Bombay he will proceed to Jubbulpore with the Commissioners, accompanied by his retinue. He will be present at the opening of the Railway to Jubbulpore with Lord Mayo and H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh, and will give a banquet. From thence he will proceed with Lord Mayo to open the line at Khamgaum. The officers of Berar will then give a banquet to Sir Salar Jung. The whole management will be in the hands of Bombay and Poona artistes. There will be great fire works in honour of the occasion. We are also given to understand that as this is the first time His Excellency Salar Jung Bahadoor, K. C. S. I., has made a tour on this side of India, it is expected that he will go through all the principal cities of India. It is said that he has taken ten lakhs of rupees out of his treasure to spend on this tour.

NEW BANK OF BOMBAY, LIMITED.

Statement of the affairs of the Bank on 12th February 1870.

LIABILITIES.	Rs.
Proprietors' Capital paid up	50,00,000
Subscriptions on account of new Capital	10,00,000
General Treasury Balance	70,42,740
Deposits at Head Office	2,87,19,132
Deposits at Branches	14,34,433
Bank Post Bills outstanding	30,82,031
Reserve	2,92,936
Undrawn Cash Credits	6,97,065
	Rs. 4,62,68,987

ASSETS.		
Government Securities		29,43,213
Loans at Head Office and Branches on Govt. Securities,		
Bullion, Goods and Metals		15,38,749
Credit Accounts at do. on Govt. Securities, Goods and Metals		24,89,497
Bills Discounted and purchased at do.		75,41,937
Dead Stock	4,70,098	
Less written off	20,000	4,50,098
Stamps		7,781
Balances with Agents & Correspondents		10,68,029
Overdrafts		77,498
Government Reserve, Cash		30,42,740
Cash & Currency Notes at Head Office		1,26,26,600
Do. do. at Branches		79,26,305
Bullion at H. O. and Branches		3,96,583
		Rs. 4,62,68,987

GIRGAUM POLICE COURT.—14TH FEBRUARY.

(Before R. H. SHOWELL, Esq.)

RIOTOUS AND DISORDERLY BEHAVIOUR.—Two Parsees were charged with riotous, disorderly, and indecent behaviour in a public place. The defendants admitted the offence. The first defendant, being an old offender, was fined five rupees, or, in default, to suffer seven days' imprisonment; and the second was fined eight annas.

TORTURE.—A Hindoo cartman was fined ten rupees for torturing his bullocks. Another cartman was fined seven rupees for a similar offence.

GAMBLING.—A Mahomedan and nineteen other persons were charged with gambling with dice and money in a public place, and were fined half a rupee each, with the exception of one who was sent to jail for seven days.

ALLEGED INSULT AND ASSAULT.—At the Girgaum Police Court yesterday, Mr. William Richardson was charged at the instance of Mr. William Liesh-terman, a jeweller and watchmaker, with using insulting and threatening language on a public road, and Mr. John Adams with assaulting him. Liesh-terman's story was that on the night of the 5th inst. he was coming out of the London Hotel and passing the gate for the theatre, when Mr. Richardson insulted him and used bad language. A man who was with complainant asked the defendant what he meant, when Mr. Adams got down and followed complainant, who ran away but was overtaken and knocked down. Liesh-terman called out for a sepoy, when the defendants got into their buggy and drove off as fast as they could. They met complainant soon afterwards at the Auckland Hotel and asked him to fight. Liesh-terman refused, whereupon Mr. Adams gave him a blow and knocked him down. The defendants denied the charge. The Magistrate thought there was no proof of assault, and the defendants were therefore discharged.

ARMY HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT FOR INDIA.

REPORT of a Committee appointed in Government General Order, No. 43 of 1869, to consider certain proposals connected with the subject of Army Hospital Equipment for India, and the best mode of conveying sick and wounded Soldiers on Field Service.

The Committee, on being completed by the nomination of an Engineer officer of the Public Works Department as a member, had an interview at the quarters of the President with Surgeon-Major Francis, who fully explained the various models* which he placed at their disposal, stating other advantages claimed for the conveyances and appliances which they represented.

The ambulance in use and in store in Calcutta were then examined, and all the information submitted by the Governor or obtainable from other sources, was fully studied and considered, when it was resolved by the committee that it was desirable to communicate with the coach-builders of Calcutta with a view to the construction of the carriage most suitable to the conditions of military service in this country.

The builders first applied to, declined to undertake the job unless assured that the construction of a considerable number of the carriages that might ultimately be required by Government should be entrusted to them. This assurance the committee could not give, so an estimate for the construction of a four-wheeled ambulance by Messrs. Wheeler and Co., was submitted to Government, authority obtained for its construction, and the work put in hand forthwith.

The plan of this conveyance was based on the model furnished by Surgeon Major Francis—of the ambulance which had obtained the first prize at the Paris Exhibition, but on a greatly reduced scale. This prize ambulance being intended to carry 17 men, who with their accoutrements would probably weigh upwards of 24 cwts., which, added to the weight of the carriage, would be a load far beyond the capabilities of Indian draught animals on Indian roads. The carriages constructed by the Committee is little more than half this size, and is intended to combine, as far as possible, lightness and facility of turning with strength and stability. It has ample space for 8 men sitting or three lying down; 10 men sitting on a push, with fittings for 8 rifles with accoutrements; 2 regulation stretchers; one regulation field medicine chest,† with water can, cup, kettle, medical comforts, &c. It is adapted for horses with common or artillery harness, or for bullock draught.‡

The conveyance is now ready for trial, but the Committee desire to record their opinion, that neither this nor any other wheeled carriage drawn by animals can ever be used with advantage for the conveyance of severely sick or wounded soldiers on the rugged and roadless countries which have been, and will be the scenes of military operations in this part of the world. Such carriage is useless or worse, save on moderately good roads, and this appears to have been the finding recorded by "all the most experienced military and medical officers of the three Presidencies, who were called on by Government to give their opinion on this subject."

Seeing that wheeled ambulances, though a useful adjunct, are no substitute for the dooly, and that there is now a great difficulty, which may soon become an impossibility, in procuring dooly-bearers in numbers adequate for war purposes,—that the horses and mules of this country are rarely large or strong enough to carry sick on cacolets or litters, and that the difficulty of mounting and dismounting, and the rough motion of the camel and elephant render these animals unsuitable for sick carriage, the committee have anxiously looked for a conveyance for sick men requiring fewer hands than the dooly, and with this view now beg to recommend the litter be made of the wheeled stretcher support first used by the Prussians in their Danish and Austrian campaigns.

This apparatus improved by Serjeant Shortill, has been tried both at Netley and Aldershot, and most favourably reported on. It enables one bearer to wheel a wounded man in a recumbent position for a very considerable distance, and two bearers can easily lift the whole conveyance with the man upon it over any obstacle, such as a bit of rocky road or a ditch. The conveyance can easily be taken to pieces and packed in very small space without a case, and efficient precautions are taken against loss of parts in transit; these should be made interchangeable.

Two of these stretcher supports have been constructed under the supervision of the Committee, who have added legs to the stretcher, so that it can be used as a bed when removed from "the support," thus securing the patient from disturbances.

This apparatus in its present state affords no protection from sun or weather, but a folding hood can easily be added, as in the accompanying sketch, should the apparatus on trial be found suitable for field service in this country.

While the carriage devised by the Committee was under construction, communications were received from Inspector General James Mouat, C.B., V.C., with plans and drawings of his "New Zealand Cart," and from Deputy Inspectors General Cox and Munro, C.B., with drawings of carriages proposed by them.

The Committee however think that the carriage constructed under their supervision should have a fair trial before carrying into practice the suggestions of the above named officers.

A portable field medicine and instrument case was laid before the Committee by Surgeon-Major Francis, but it did not appear to be superior to the regulation "Field Companion" now in use in the British army.

(Signed) F. W. INNES, M.D.,
Deputy Inspr. Genl.—President.
" C. C. JOHNSON, Lieut.-Col.,
Offg. Deputy Qr. Mr. Genl.
J. A. WATTS, Capt. R.E., } Members.
Asst. Secy. Govt. of Bengal, P.W.D.

I have signed this report, but do not agree to the latter portion of it, relating to Serjeant Shortill's stretcher on wheels.

From being on small detachment duty throughout nearly the whole of the mutiny campaign and continually shifting ground, my experience is that the rough ground we usually had to encamp on and the rough country roads we had to pass over, would be too much for the light springs and wheels (about the substance of Bicycle wheels) of Serjeant Shortill's stretcher. You cannot use it as a hand stretcher, as the natives of this country, excepting hill-men, would refuse to carry it.

I think it will be found on enquiry that on field service the proportion of men that require to be carried in a lying down position, necessitated by wounds or otherwise, does not exceed 10 per cent. of those for whom carriage has to be provided; for this number, one-in-the double of it, doolies would always be obtainable —with the present strength of the army, and I think it has generally been considered that European skill has not yet surpassed the native doolie in convenience and lightness.

(Signed) J. L. WATTS, Captain, R.E.,
Asst. Secy. to Govt. of Bengal, P. W. D.

Calcutta the 27th October 1869.

From F. W. Innes, Esq., M.D., Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, to the Assistant Quarter Master General, Presidency Division, Fort William—(No. 105-3, dated Calcutta, the 28th October 1869.)

I have the honour to recommend that the ambulance carriage lately constructed under the superintendence of "the Committee on Army Hospital equipment for India," now at Barrackpore, form part of the equipment of the C. Battery 16th Brigade Royal Artillery, to march to Morar, in order that its capabilities may be tried and reported on.

To the President Hospital Equipment Committee, Military Department.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt, on the 26th November 1869, of the report of your Committee on the subject of army hospital equipment for India, and the best mode of conveying sick and wounded soldiers on field service. In reply I am to convey to you and to the Committee the thanks of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council in the Military Department for your report and the care you have bestowed on the preparation of the ambulance for the sick and for the conveyance of the wounded on field service.

2. I am directed to forward for your information copy of a letter addressed to the Quarter Master General, directing that practical effect be given to your suggestion and that experimental use be made of the ambulance and, if considered desirable, the wheeled stretcher during a protracted march.—I am, &c.,

(Signed) H. W. NORMAN, Major-Genl.,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Fort William, the 27th January 1870.

* These models were all left for careful examination by the Committee.

† ("Field Companion.")

‡ Weight—or .20 lbs. 40

INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAPH.

The following dates of private telegrams were received at the Bombay Telegraph Office during the 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock yesterday evening:—

Continent of Europe, via Turkey, 12th and 13th Feb.

The time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay from 8 P.M. of the 13th February to 8 P.M. of the 14th February is as follows:—

To Bombay	Max.	Min.
From Kurrachee	3 18	1 25
" Calcutta	4 21	0 23
" Madras	2 30	0 35

Communication between Bombay and Kurrachee perfect.

Undelivered messages in the Bombay Signal Office—Satalathany Saite, from Avanashy, Belgaum.
Lewis, Manager Agra Bank, from Kohat.
Nursoo, Sudder Bazaar, from Nagpore.
Govuntha Tilloo, from Alleppey.
Bhimacharee Gulgulee, from Dharwar.
Col. Trevelyan, 7th Hussars, from Meean Meer.
Lord Marcus Beresford, 7th Hussars, from Delhi.
Ramjee Rowjee, Chick Bunder, from Kurrachee.
Bashapa Bhoja, Moorasoosett's Chal, Girgaum, from Belgaum.
Emigration Agent for Jamaica, from Galle.
Ramchund Oomed at Goachee Challee, from Deesa.

HIGH PRIZES.

There is some speculation in official and other circles regarding the high appointments which, in the course of the next twelve months, are more or less probable or possible. There are two circumstances which render speculation very vague—the certainty that a finance minister will be sent out from England if he can be found, and the delay in nominating the new Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab. If the desire of the province and the wish of all India be gratified, by the presence of Sir Henry Durand at Lahore on 1st May, the official chess-board may be something like this. Mr. Grey will, we trust, be able to keep his seat as Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal for the full time, till 23rd April 1872. Never had ruler such a part to play in the regeneration of a people. But the health of Mr. Grey or his family, combined with the false relation in which some of his own subordinates on the one side and some members of the Government of India on the other have occasionally placed him to that Government, have made him indifferent to a longer lease of power. Should the Lieutenant-Governorship be unfortunately vacant in the course of the year, the possible candidates for it, supposing Sir H. Durand to be in the Punjab, would be Mr. George Campbell, Sir R. Temple, Mr. Strachey, and Mr. E. C. Bayley. The first has such a prospect of usefulness in England—such a certainty of a good official position there if Mr. Gladstone succeeds in passing a land Act for Ireland, that we do not expect to see him in India again. Even were this not the case, he would prefer a seat in the Secretary of State's Council to the climate of the plains of India, and for the last six months the resignation of three of the most venerable of the centenarians of that body has been expected. All his friends would welcome the return of Sir R. Temple to the work of administration in a province for which no better ruler could be found. If Mr. Grey does not re-organize Bengal, we know no one who would do the work so well. Mr. Strachey's health interfered with his efficiency in Oudh, and a love for the hills is not compatible with the duty of a Lieutenant-Governor to Bengal. But, this apart, Mr. Strachey would make an able ruler when well controlled by public opinion, though he is young enough to wait for the North-West. If Mr. E. C. Bayley, in his office of Vice-Chancellor of the University, proves his aptitude for such public life as the ruler of Bengal must show his fitness for, his experience, both in district and secretariat work, might lead to his selection. None of these are civilians of the Lower Provinces, who know the Bengalees and their language as Sir F. Halliday did. Just as this time an outsider is wanted, and there happens to be no purely Bengal civilian at once of pre-eminent ability, high character, and good health. The two most promising are Mr. Schalch and Mr. Buckand. But men of their stamp would do better to begin with such a Chief Commissionership as that of Assam, which the present year ought to see created Amid all these speculations it should not be forgotten that, before 27th March 1871, the Crown will be called on to appoint a successor to Lord Napier in Madras. Almost before the Duke of Edinburgh has re-joined his ship, it will be necessary for Her Majesty to say whether General Norman or Sir Neville Chamberlain who is to be, military member of Council, and whether Mr. Ellis of Bombay is to succeed Mr. Noble Taylor on 10th March next if a finance minister be found by that time. Hitherto Lord Mayo's appointments have been the best possible, and we look with confidence to his future selections. —*Friend of India*, Feb. 10.

GENERAL ORDERS BY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF BOMBAY.

(*Calcutta Gazette*, Feb 9.)

Mr. H. H. Davis to be an Assistant Conservator of Forests, second grade, in the Bootan Division, with effect from the 1st January.

Mr. R. J. Richardson to officiate as Opium Agent of Behar, during the absence on leave of Mr. C. F. Carnac, or until further order.

Lieutenant M. O. Boyd to officiate as Personal Assistant to the Commissioner of Assam, during the absence, on deputation, of Lieutenant J. Butler, or until further order.

Lieutenant R. N. D. Touche, Assistant Commissioner, Seeb-sangor, is transferred to Kan roop.

Captain H. J. Peet, Assistant Commissioner, is re-posted to Seebsangor.

Mr. S. Lobb, M. A., to officiate as Principal of the Krishnaghur College, during the absence, on leave, of Mr. A. Smith, or until further orders.

Mr. F. H. Elphinstone, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Gya, is granted leave of absence, for three months, or such shorter time.

Mr. W. Scott, Extra Assistant Commissioner of the Darjeeling Terai, for three months.

The Reverend E. Kemble, Chaplain of Cuttack, for six months, from the 5th March next, or subsequent date.

Mr. A. Smith, M.A., Principal of the Krishnaghur College, for fifteen months, together with the casual preparatory leave from the 9th instant.

Mr. A. J. Elliot is appointed to officiate as Civil and Sessions Judge of Shahabad, during the absence, on deputation, of Mr. R. J. Richardson, or until further orders.

Mr. D. Lacey to be District Superintendent of Police, Cuttack.

Mr. W. R. Green to officiate temporarily as District Superintendent of Police, Poorea.

Mr. J. S. Larminie to officiate as District Superintendent of Police, Beerbhoom, during the absence, on leave, of Major T. Buttanshaw, or until further orders.

Mr. F. T. Platts, District Superintendent of Police, Dacca, is granted leave of absence, for one year, together with proper port leave from the 9th to the 30th March next.

Major T. Buttanshaw, District Superintendent of Police, Beerbhoom, for two months, from any date between the 15th March and 10th April 1870.

The services of Lieutenant-Colonel G. R. Fisher, District Superintendent of Police, Tipperah, are placed at the disposal of the Government of India, in the Military Department, from the 15th Feb.

Lieutenant Colonel J. F. Stoddard, M.S.C., Executive Engineer, first grade, and Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Public Works Department, Irrigation Branch, is appointed to officiate as Superintending Engineer of the South-Western Circle, in addition to his own duties, during the absence of Lieutenant-Colonel P. L. O'Connell, R.E., on privilege leave.

GENERAL ORDERS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

(*Fort Saint George Gazette*, Feb 8.)

LEAVE.—Mr. G. D. Leman, Principal Assistant to the Collector and Magistrate and Agent to the Governor of Fort Saint George in Ganjam, for eighteen months, to proceed to Europe.

APPOINTMENTS.—Mr. John Charles Loch, to be Deputy Collector of Sea Customs at Madras.

Surgeon James Sadleir Ridings, M.D., to act as Zillah Surgeon and Superintendent of the Jail, Mangalore, without prejudice to his Military appointment—with effect from the 5th November 1869.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Major Francis Dawson, of the Staff Corps, to be an Assistant Quarter Master-General, with effect from the 27th January 1870, vice Peyton, whose tour of appointment expired on that date.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. E. Mayne, of the Staff Corps, Deputy Judge Advocate, Centre Division, is permitted to proceed to Europe, on furlough (medical certificate) for two years, and to embark from Bombay.

The following promotions are made in the Commissariat Department, with effect from the 9th January 1870:—

Major J. C. Macdonald, of the Staff Corps, Acting Assistant Commissary General, 2nd class, to act as Assistant Commissary General, 1st class; Major T. W. Stanfield, of the Staff Corps, Acting Deputy Assistant Commissary General, 2nd class; Captain J. C. Gunning, of the Staff Corps, Acting Deputy Assistant Commissary General, 1st class, to act as Deputy Assistant Commissary General, 1st class; Captain H. C. Wright, of the Staff Corps, Acting Sub-Assistant Commissary General, 1st class, to act as Deputy Assistant Commissary General, 2nd class; and Lieutenant B. A. Bloomfield, of the Staff Corps, Acting Sub-Assistant Commissary General, 1st class, to act as Sub-Assistant Commissary General, 1st class, during the absence on furlough to Europe of Lieutenant-Colonel J. P. Waite, Assistant Commissary General, 1st class, or until further orders.

Lieutenant A. R. Edgcome, of the Royal (Madras) Engineers, Executive Engineer, fourth grade, Kistnah District, is permitted to proceed to Europe on furlough (medical certificate) for two years, and to embark from Bombay.

The following promotions are made in the Ordnance Department:—

Ensign and Deputy Assistant Commissary Patrick Flanagan, to be Acting Assistant Commissary, and Troop Quarter Master William Burton, Deputy Brigade Major Horse Artillery, to be Acting Deputy Assistant Commissary, from 4th February 1870, during the absence on leave on medical certificate of Lieutenant and Assistant Commissary J. T. Gibson.

MADRAS STAFF CORPS.—The following promotion is made, subject to Her Majesty's approval:—

Major George Phillip Brudenell Sherard, having completed 25 years' service, to be Lieutenant-Colonel from the 3rd February 1870.

The undermentioned officer is admitted to the Staff Corps, from the date specified against his name, subject to Her Majesty's approval:—

Lieutenant Charles Henry Sheppard of the Infantry General List, 2nd Wing Subaltern 26th Regt. N. I., and officiating Qr. Mr. 11th Regt. N. I., 8th February 1870.

CHRISTIANITY IN AFGHANISTAN.

Hardly a week passes without some new illustration of the influence of the policy of Lord Mayo in civilizing Afghanistan. Last October one Yahiya Bakir, a native gentleman of Kandahar who had been baptized by Dr. Pfander, informed the Rev. W Keene of the Church Mission, Umritsar, that on visiting Cabul he had been reported to Mahomed Hossein Khan, governor of the city, as "a destroyer of the law and religion" and as worthy of death or banishment. The preacher, who was on his way to Kokand, had been badly treated when with Mr. Clark in Kashmere, and from his Christian conversation was discovered by a Kashmiri merchant, who was in the sameserai with him. The Governor of Cabul apprehended Yahiya Bakir at midnight, and, after a long discussion, sent him on to the Ameer, to whom he had appealed. This was the result:—

"The next morning I was taken to the Ameer, who talked with great condescension to me; and, by God's help, I answered all his questions. The Ameer asked me who I was, and where I was lodging. I told him plainly all about myself, from which he came to know that I am a Christian. Now-a-days the Ameer, by God's blessing, is very friendly to the British Government; therefore he did not hear the advice of wicked men, but sent me away very affectionately. By God's blessing I now live in the serai of Ameer Osman. The people of Cabul now treat me kindly, and I freely preach the truth to them. As a door is opened to me to preach the gospel in Cabul and its vicinity, I have postponed my going to Kokand."

Mr. Keene has, in a Persian letter, thanked the Ameer for his justice and kindness. Thus the most fanatical parts of Central Asia are gradually opening to Christian preachers as well as to Budhist surveyors. —*Friend of India.*

CABUL.

The news from Cabul is of little importance—unless indeed the King of Bokhara should fulfil his declared intention of imprisoning Sirdar Abdul Rahman Khan, on the understanding that Naib Mahomed Alum Khan (who, to do him justice, originally suggested the neat little arrangement) will do the same to Meer Surrah Beg Khan. General Daood Khan is far from assured of the loyalty of some of the troops in Turkistan. He believes they still maintain a correspondence with Sirdar Abdul Rahman. The Ameer has determined to increase the regular infantry of his army by four full regiments—from 26 to 30.—*Pioneer*, Feb. 12.

SIR R. ALCOCK AND THE INDIAN OPIUM REVENUE.

"Do what you please, but never give a reason for it," is the sort of convention which every sensible husband makes with the wife of his bosom. Had Sir Rutherford Alcock acted with equal discrimination at his recent interview with the merchants of Hong-Kong, the world would never have known how very inconsiderate was his action in assenting to the increase of the import duty upon opium. The Chinese, he said, were now cultivating the poppy to an enormous extent, and it was stated on good authority that some 6,000 chests of Chinese opium were monthly brought into the Shanghai market, and sold for one-half the price asked for the drug. The Chinese, he added, were determined to flood the market to such an extent as would prevent the importation of the foreign drug, and they seemed not unlikely to succeed. A merchant thereupon naturally suggested that Indian opium, already unable to hold its own against the inferior low-priced article of home growth and manufacture, would be still further distanced in the race by the additional burden of 2½ per cent. A mere "drop in the ocean," His Excellency is reported to have airily replied. It was enough, for all that, retorted Mr. Pollard, to effect the import, and so far to injure the trade of the colony. And was His Excellency quite certain that the increase would be no more than 2½ per cent? His Excellency was not at all certain of anything of the kind, but another merchant, who is described as a partner in a leading Indian firm, quietly remarked that the extra duty represented 4 per cent. on Malwa and 7 per cent. on Patna opium. That dreadful Mr. Pollard had previously insisted that the increase in the tariff rate was sufficient to stimulate the native growth; to which His Excellency could find no better answer than that it was not "worth while to dispute about the extra duty, when the Chinese could impose any amount they pleased in the interior of the country." Such a process of reasoning would equally justify the imposition of one hundred or one thousand per cent.

Mr. Pollard then returned to the charge, and reminded His Excellency that this duty was paid by the foreign importer, but received for reply the sapient remark that the Chinese merchant would take all this into consideration in calculating the cost of the drug. No doubt of it, but all the calculations in the world would not enable him to compete with the cheaper article. Trade implies action as calculation. It is not a mere question of book-keeping, as diplomatists and statesmen are so apt to imagine. However, in the end Sir Rutherford was constrained to admit that he recognized the importance of the subject "so much so, indeed, that he considered it advisable to visit Calcutta with reference to it on his way home." He has done so—with what result remains to be seen.

Is this question quite unworthy of the consideration of the Chamber of Commerce of Calcutta? Might it not be worth their while, if they have not already done so, to place themselves in direct communication with Her Majesty's Minister at the Court of Pekin? Sir Rutherford assured the deputation at Hong-Kong that he was always glad to hear the opinions of practical men. Is he less likely to listen to the merchants of Calcutta than to those settled at Chinese ports? In any case the experiment should be tried.—*Englishman*, Feb. 9.

Sir Rutherford Alcock states that he was compelled to agree to a partial sacrifice of India's opium revenue for fear lest the whole might be lost. He may, or may not, have done the right thing; but the Viceroy has been unable to have the benefit of what Mr. Grey might say on such matters, as Mr. Grey has not had an opportunity of entering into a discussion with Sir Rutherford in the presence of the Viceroy.—*Indian Daily News.*

RULES FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE BICYCLE.

Having lately heard many complaints of the want of some simple rules for managing the Bicycle, I have written out a few which may be found useful, and herewith send them:—

1.—Proceed to purchase a machine. Having done so entertain four strong men for a month to enable you to mount and retain seat on same.

2.—Invariably choose one with very large wheels The higher your position the more exalted will you be over all little difficulties that may lie in your path.

3.—Having mastered your instrument (without either injuring arm or leg), proceed to make your appearance on the Mall daily, at the fashionable hour.

4.—When starting always jump on with confidence (especially if any one is looking) and should you tumble, remark in a pleasant voice that the pedals are not right or the road too uneven.

5.—When thoroughly initiated, take cod-liver oil daily. It greases the joints and will enable you to go twice the speed.

6.—Choose, generally, for your longest excursions the hour subsequent to dinner: the exercise assists the digestion: moreover, you will probably be more lightheaded: and the bicycle will go easier, though perhaps not quite so straight.

7.—Always spin along at your utmost speed when you observe a carriage approaching. It looks better and sometimes creates a sensation. This is golden rule.

8.—When travelling at speed, should you find yourself leaning over unpleasantly to the right, turn the handle to that side: should any unfortunate pedestrian be in the way, never mind, your balance is much more important and must be kept at all risks.

9.—Should you observe a stone or large brick in the road (especially those with D. P. W. on them), and cannot quite rely on your powers of steering, jump off. It's safest by far.

10.—Never turn your head to the right or left when in motion. It looks scientific. Also never lose your presence of mind sufficiently to return the bow of a lady (unless a near relation), as should you do so you will probably rue the daring feet by losing irrecoverable your balance and her respect.

11.—Before mounting your bicycle see that your hair is parted precisely in the middle. This is important.

12.—Should you wish to indulge in a sly wink at any passing fair one, be careful to wink with both eyes or you may fall in the sweet creature's estimation by finding yourself prostrate at her feet in a most undignified attitude.

13.—Take a fast spin of ten miles every day. The reason for this is obvious: you may get out of practice.

14.—In running down-hill do not permit your legs to dangle, but throw them gracefully up on the front bars, assuming at the same time an easy and pleasant expression of countenance, regardless of the mental anguish you may be enduring.

15.—Never travel after dark: you will never catch it, unless, indeed, you happen to run into a pedestrian armed with a stick.

16.—Invariably whistle a tune as you go along at night. It serves to call attention to your advent, besides giving an air of *nonchalance* to your proceeding.

17.—Should you possess a lantern do not fail to screw it on previous to disappearing into darkness: do not light it; the rattling will be sufficient to enlighten passersby as to the nature of the approaching machine.

18.—Advice to heavy elderly gentlemen being bicyclists. Never try to run over soft ground, you will find it very hard.

Quite-as-bad 7th February 1870. SLIMLY.

—*Pioneer.*

CALCUTTA RACES.

SECOND MEETING.

THIRD DAY, THURSDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY.

DEALERS' PLATE.

Rising Star.....1
Scimitar Secundus.....2
Red Hazard.....3

Time—3 mins. 3 secs.

FIRST CLASS HANDICAP.

Detrimental.....1
Kilmore.....2

Time—2 mins. 47 secs.

Longden first passed the post, Rocket second. Rocket jostled against Detrimental, Longden and Rocket disqualified.

SECOND CLASS HANDICAP.

Bellona.....1
Vollano.....2

Time—1 min. 51 secs.

ARAB HANDICAP.

Rising Star.....1
Growler.....2

—*Pioneer.*

THE SHOE QUESTION.

The shoe question is two-fold. One point is, whether natives who keep their heads covered before English gentlemen, in defiance of European courtesy, should be allowed to wear shoes also in breach of their own. The other point is, whether Europeans, who take off their hat in token of respect to native rank, should be expected, in addition, to conform to the native practice of taking their shoes off. On the second point, so good a compromise has been adopted in Egypt, that we greatly wonder it has not been imported to Hyderabad and other places where it would be useful. In Cairo, when you arrive at the gate of the new mosque which crowns the citadel of the magnificent Saladin, a grey-bearded acolyte presents you with a pair of list slippers, for the use of which you pay him a small fee. These are drawn over the boots, and thus, without inconvenience or loss of dignity, the travelling infidel inspects the holy buildings, whilst the contact of leather with the flags sanctified by prayer is avoided, and no umbrage is given to the sensibilities of the so-called elect. This arrangement seems dictated by common sense, and we cannot conceive why an Englishman should not enter the Nizam's presence similarly equipped: he is virtually in his stockings, but they are over his boots.—*Pioneer.*

THE FAMINE IN THE NATIVE STATES OF CENTRAL INDIA.

From an article in the *Friend of India* we make an interesting extract in reference to the admirable part the Maharajah Sindia of Gwalior played during the recent time of famine. The *Friend* draws a contrast between Sindia's conduct and that of other chiefs—Holkar of Indore for instance—in the same part of the country:—

December 1868 came, it was known that Malwa was no longer a land of promise. The tide now set in to Gwalior, and the palace gates of Sindia were besieged. The instalment of rent postponed in September was now being exacted by the durbar officers. Sindia himself had been brought back from the gates of death, through the skill of English physicians, in August, and he had been absent for two months in search of health. His Highness hurried back to the post of duty, in a way which makes one bitterly recall, by contrast, Darjeeling, Simla, and Orissa. But, knowing his countrymen, he at first refused to believe that many had not already taken advantage of his proclamation and did not require relief. But he did not remain passive. He sent his Dewan, "whom he trusts and who has proved worthy of trust," to report on the condition of the districts. Just so, one remembers, an English Lieut. Governor was sent to Orissa so late as February in similar circumstances. But the result was very different. So

THE "SPECTATOR'S" NOTES.

(*Spectator*, Jan. 22.)

THE RED RIVER SETTLEMENT.

THE latest intelligence from the Red River Settlement, transmitted by cable to the *Pall Mall Gazette*, is more favourable. It is said that the insurgents have agreed to open negotiations with the Canadian Government. We shall not, however, know the full truth of this affair till Parliament meets, if then.

SIR S. NORTHCOTE ON RECIPROCITY.

SIR STAFFORD NORTHCOTE made a very manly speech in Exeter on Thursday to the Chamber of Commerce, in which he utterly rejected the nonsense talked by reciprocitarians. As to reciprocity, suppose you give a bale of English cloth for a hogshead of French wine. Well, the French Government taxes your cloth, so you don't get quite your full hogshead; but will you get more if, when the wine comes, the British Government takes some of it for import duty? That is very neatly put, and will, we should think, be intelligible even to Lord J. Manners, Lord Malmesbury, and the rest of the gentlemen who will have it that if you will only stick up brambles enough the sheep must bring you more wool.

DOES THE GUILLOTINE CAUSE INSTANT DEATH?

DR. PINEL, a French physiologist, has been trying to "demoralize the guillotine" by declaring that it does not cause instant death. The body, he says, dies, but the blood in the brain is retained, the brain being shielded from atmospheric pressure, the nerves of hearing, sight, and smell remain, and all the apparatus of intellect is present. This condition, which is as frightful as any dream of Edgar Poe's, may last, he thinks, three hours. A general belief in this theory would at once abolish the guillotine, but the blood, as the *Lancet* explains, though retained would become deoxydized in about 90 seconds, when all consciousness *must* absolutely cease. Moreover, owing to the tremendous nervous shock which must be suffered in decapitation, it is to the last degree improbable that consciousness—which is so constantly suspended even by a slight one—should endure even for those ninety seconds. It is nearly certain that the phenomenon we call death, whatever that may be, supervenes instantly, quite certain that it is not delayed many seconds.

THE "DAILY NEWS."

THE interregnum in the management of the *Daily News* has ended,—to the delight, we should imagine, of its readers,—Mr. E. Dicey having accepted the editorial chair. We may, we think, congratulate the proprietors as well as the Liberal party on their selection. Though a determined Liberal, Mr. Dicey has shown in all his writings a rare impartiality and comprehension of his opponents,—qualities, which, though they may not always strengthen a journalist, are almost indispensable to an editor, whose duty is not merely to debate. As regards foreign politics, there is probably no man of his years in England who has had anything like Mr. Dicey's experience both of countries and of men, or who understands so clearly the forces which move opinion in the three countries which Englishmen care,—France, Germany, and America. His defect, if he has one, is little too much distrust of English prejudice, a little too much belief in English dislike to reconsider convictions, and that is just the sort of defect which makes newspapers pay.

SINGULAR MURDER.

A REMARKABLE murder has occurred in Finsbury. Jacob Spinass, night porter at Bueker's Hotel, Christopher Street, had been drinking hard on Friday evening, when about half-past five in the morning Mrs. Bucker heard a terrible noise in his room, and on descending to inquire the cause met him apparently wild, shouting, "The devil is downstairs!" On entering the room the body of a woman, Cecilia Aldridge, an "unfortunate," was found by the bed, with the head beaten in by wine-bottles. It is believed that both had been drinking, and that Spinass had either quarrelled with the woman, or in a fit of delirium from drink had mistaken her for the devil, and murdered her. He himself at first asserted that several men had broken into the room, the devil being among them, and that he had beaten him out; but he subsequently firmly protested his innocence, and, according to the *Times*, "made a statement, which was reconcilable in its more important features with the evidence." Should he be innocent, as suggested, the case would be a *cause célèbre* in the annals of circumstantial evidence; but his "statement," as reported on Friday night, is a mere assertion that he mistook the woman for a thief.

MR. FORSTER AT BRADFORD.

MR. FORSTER'S masterly speech at Bradford will certainly raise him another great step in public estimation. Its general drift was against delay, not only in regard to the great question taken up confessedly by the Government, but also to those minor questions on the hope of finding any speedy solution of which Mr. Bright so carefully threw cold water last week at Birmingham. Mr. Forster took up Mr. Bright's metaphor about the difficulty of getting omnibuses six abreast through Temple Bar, and turned it against him "Well," he said, "but they may go through Temple Bar one after another, and I have generally observed if there were omnibuses going from the City to the West End, and from the West End City to the well laden with passengers whatsoever be the pressure, somehow or other they manage to get to their journey's end. It is very irreverent of me to suppose my chiefs in such a position, but I seem to see a wellfilled omnibus with Mr. Gladstone driving it, and with Mr. Bright, the most amiable and attractive conductor of it. That is the Irish land omnibus. That will get on the road will have to be cleared for that omnibus, and I should not like to be the unfortunate vehicle that stands in the way of that omnibus. Well, but after that omnibus has got through, I hope Lord de Grey and myself will drive our edneation omnibus in afterwards, a suggestion received with the loudest cheering,—for English constituencies don't believe in these long official delays. Mr. Forster further remarked that there was now a law against what are called in the cabalistic language of the hackney-carriage proprietors "crawlers," i.e., cabs crawling along in search of passengers, but that in country towns this would not disappear. He did not disapprove of Parliamentary "crawlers." He had driven "a crawler" himself in his time, and very likely should do so again. But where urgent political traffic of the first public moment forbids them, crawlers disappear in Parliament as well as in the streets, and he hoped it might be so this session, to make room for a few great measures for which the public has long been prepared. Mr. Forster has finally settled the question against delay in opening the primary-education campaign. Let us hope that he may prove as victorious a general as he did last session, in carrying it to a successful issue.

FRANCE.

THE French Government has resolved to prosecute M. Rochefort, and for reasons explained elsewhere we think the French Government is right. The Chamber certainly thinks so, permission to prosecute a Deputy having been given by a vote of 226 to 35. The only serious objections raised indeed are that M. Rochefort is too unimportant—a poor reason, for a flag, though a rag, is as important as the people it represents; and that he ought to be tried before the jury which, under a Bill proposed by M. Ollivier, will henceforward try Press offences. The latter reason would be a good one if juries in Paris were free, but as a matter of fact they are chosen by the Government of the day from among 2,000 devotees of the *régime*. M. Ollivier can if he likes secure their verdict as easily as that of the judge of the Correctional Tribunal; and as he will coerce neither, the judge is likely to be the more impartial of the two. We must not conceal from our readers, however, that observers who ought to know well, such as M. Thiers, M. Rochefort himself, and, it is strongly rumoured, Count Daru, regard the prosecution as a decided mistake, and look forward with apprehension or delight to the opportunities of riot it will afford. On the other hand, the Emperor, who, while he defies Paris, understands France, is evidently in favour of a prosecution which will give him one more opportunity of a stinging pardon.

The debate on the prosecution showed M. Ollivier in a very favourable light on every point but one. He faced MM. Rochefort and Gambetta very courageously, but without losing calmness, and explained his policy very clearly. It was to prevent any "days of July," but maintain order, while leaving the Press free to do anything but incite to civil war, or defame the Emperor in a way which would give private individuals a right of action. They might attack the Ministry as much as they liked. To repress an armed movement, however, the Ministry must shed blood, and their one prayer was to be able to quell power without shedding it. They would neither be weak nor reactionary. All this is excellent, but M. Ollivier refers to the army a little too often. If he does not take care, he will create an impression among the workmen that their courage is impugned, and then the collision will be a matter of hours or minutes. As yet he seems only to have given the tradesmen courage to act actively, with big sticks, against the blouses, a most noteworthy sign of the hour.

THE FRENCH ARMY.

(*Army & Navy Gazette*, Jan. 22.)

As we presumed last week, the ridiculous story of Marshal Canrobert having threatened to mow down 40,000 Republicans if one of his men was shot has been officially contradicted, but we do not perceive that any proceedings have been taken against the paper which propagated a falsehood calculated to damage the Marshal's character as far as humanity and discretion are concerned. As a *traineur de sabre* Marshal Canrobert has never been regarded as very ferocious, and it has always been understood that he threw up his command in the Crimea because he objected to sacrifice his men by going in at the Malakoff. Marshal Canrobert chuckling over the inglorious duty of firing into an unarmed mob would have been out of keeping with his antecedents.

The troops quartered round Paris have again been called up to the capital, as the new Liberal Ministry is determined not to allow the Reds to invade either the Corps Legislatif or the Tuileries. The Emperor has visited several barracks in an unostentatious manner, and has been well received by the troops, and, in spite of all the Republican preaching, there is little trace of disaffection in the Army. Some men have been reprimanded for attending public meetings, and have expressed contrition, and two politicians in uniform, who were found acting as nihilists, have been sent to Algeria to try their hands on the natives. A young officer has sent a challenge to M. Rochforte, who, having pledged himself to his electors, is not free to dispose of his body, and has therefore declined to fight. It is only fair to M. Rochefort to add that he has been out several times, and that there can be no imputation as regards his courage.

THE KNIGHTS OF MALTA.

In spite of of British occupation the Knights of Malta have not altogether disappeared. The remnant of that interesting band held a meeting only last month at the Chateau of Count Schaftgolsch, near Breslau. More than seventy heroes answered the muster-roll, and amongst other decisions, it was agreed that 18,000 thalers (about £2,000) should be laid out in the purchase of the old convent of Trebnitz, which is to be turned into an hospital directed by Sisters of the Order of St. Charles Borromeo. As for military duties, the knights came to the determination to send two of their number every month to Rome to mount guard over the Council. Twenty-two knights, with a pluck worthy of the palmy days of the Order, have declared themselves ready to follow any armies into the field to tend the sick and wounded, and forty-seven others have undertaken to found hospitals in time of war.—*Army & Navy Gazette.*

THE OCEANIC TELEGRAPH MONOPOLY.

(*Economist*, Jan. 22.)

THE characteristic energy of English capitalists has been newly shown in the extension of oceanic telegraphy. Some months ago we published a list of seven schemes with a capital of nearly £6,000,000, which had been launched shortly after the success of the French Atlantic Cable, and the list, inclusive of companies for telegraph construction, may now be extended to thirteen, with a capital of £9,000,000, viz:—

		£
1.	British Indian Submarine Telegraph—Suez to Aden and Bombay	3,20 ,000
2.	*Direct English, Indian, and Australian	2,500,000
3.	Falmouth, Gibraltar, and Malta	600,000
4.	Great Northern Tel-graph—extension and purchase of lines in Northern Europe	400,000
5.	*India, Australia, and China Submarine Telegraphs —First section, Ceylon to Penang	350,000
	Do. do. additional capital for second section	25,000
7.	West India and Panama	650,000
		5,725,000
8.	British Indian Extension—Ceylon to Singapore	400,000
9.	*Great Oceanic Telegraph—S W. of Ireland and Halifax	600,000
10.	China Submarine Telegraph—Singapore to Hong-kong and Shanghai—first section	525,000
	Do. do. additional capital for second section	300,000
11.	British Australian	660,000
12.	Great Northern Telegraph—China and Japan Extension	6 0,000
13.	Panama and South Pacific	320,000
	* Withdrawn or in suspense.	9,250,000

Deducting the three schemes marked, which have not succeeded, there remain ten companies with a capital of £6,000,000, all launched within a few months for enterprises of this novel kind. If we include the two Atlantic Cable Companies, which are older, we should have twelve companies with a capital of about £9,000,000 almost all promoted or completed within a very short time, and nearly covering moreover the whole field to which such enterprise can extend. This is very prompt work, and ought to be remarked at a time when some reproaches are made against English energy for not having promoted a scheme like the Suez Canal. We are expending on oceanic telegraphs in a year about as much as the canal cost all the independent shareholders in ten. The two enterprises besides are not to be named together in importance—the judgment of the English capitalist as well as his energy being shown by his taking to the one and not to the other. The telegraphs in the present state of the world change materially the conditions of trade at comparatively little expense, and are therefore in *great* demand; and if the business is risky there are at least large profits in it—things which can hardly be said of the canal. It is not their neglect of a scheme not really demanded by business, only in more private demand, which will show that the enterprise of English capitalists has been beaten or approached in the promotion of important and novel undertakings.

If anything, money is too easily found here for colossal and novel schemes. The great danger is that people will meddle with such things who ought not to touch them at all; who have not the large capital, and skill, and knowledge necessary to engage in them with any moderate degree of safety. The energy displayed requires rather to be moderated than stimulated. We propose therefore to point out one very great danger which oceanic telegraph companies must run—the infringement of the monopoly necessary to a profit. Some time ago we showed that there was more than one difficult condition in the business—the chance of cheaper cables, the limited capacity of the wires and consequent necessity of serving great trades, of which there are few in the world, and various dangers which lie in the very near future; but the main difficulty was this of the monopoly, which appears necessary to large profit, but may be easily attacked, and is almost certain to be so. The experience already acquired amply confirms what we said, and may excuse our returning to the subject.

First—as to the necessity of monopoly to profit, and that the monopoly of serving a large trade,—the facts lie on the surface. As with other communications, only a certain quantity of *road*, so to say, is required for the work; to construct more is to distribute the same profit over a larger capital. And the quantity of long-distance telegraphing must be very limited. The expense of correspondence, indispensable as it may be, can only bear a small proportion to the business done; and as long-distance telegraphing is necessarily expensive—the cables costing a great deal and the wires only doing so much work, out of the charges for which work all the profit is made—some cheap messages must be high charges, for which only large trades will be able to supply messages in sufficient quantity.

If we look only at the capitals sunk, we shall see this more clearly. The capital, for instance, of the various Atlantic cables is £3,000,000; but it may be said there are two competing companies here, and we shall look therefore at a single non-competing scheme. To facilitate trade with India, China, and the East, the following companies are established in connexion:—

	£
Falmouth, Gibraltar, and Malta	660,000
Anglo-Mediterranean	2,500,000
British Indian Submarine	1,200,000
British Indian Extension	400,000
China and Japan Submarine Telegraph	600,000
British Australian Telegraph	660,000
Total capital	4,065,000

This is certainly a large amount of capital on which a profit has to be earned by facilitating a certain kind of correspondence. Even a net profit of £400,000, or 10 per cent., which is less than what is expected, would be an appreciable sum from any great trade to bear. We are far from saying that such profits are in the least improbable, especially in the case referred to; but there is plainly a limit not to be passed under existing conditions. There is no business for competition to develope, and but a small margin within which competition could act without reducing profits to a very low point.

The *second* point, which experience has confirmed, is the small number of the fields available for such enterprise. The world in fact is pretty well covered by the schemes already projected. On the one side Europe is now connected with North America, and through North America, by means of the West India and Panama, and the Panama and South Pacific Companies, with all South America as well. On the other side, by the present extensions, India will be brought into closer connection with the West than before; and the whole East of Asia, the Eastern Archipelago, and Japan and Australia will also be embraced. The African continent, with the exception of the Northern coast, is passed over; but it may be doubted whether African trade would bear one of these expensive lines, and there is certainly no other omission. When the lines now in progress are complete, there will be no great extension possible which is not competitive.

The *third* point is the case with which the monopoly in any case may be attacked, and the likelihood of competition. Competition has indeed broken out very early. The second experiment in fact, that of the French Atlantic Cable, was competitive; and the schemes to occupy new fields came after. Among these again the Great Northern